
Subject: Re: Including files

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nilsj@unixg.ubc.ca (Nils Johnson) writes:

>
> The IDL documentation mentions include files, which allows "statements
> contained in an include file" to be "textually inserted into the including
> file."
>
> However, I can not find any mention or examples of how, exactly, to
> include other files. What is the syntax? Are there any examples in the
> documentation or sample code that comes with IDL?

It is not particularly good programming style to do this, and hence I
use it all the time! :-)

Here is you you do it:

```
pro mypro, arg1, arg2
```

```
    arg1 = arg2 + 5  
    ... etc  
@myinclude.pro
```

```
    return  
end
```

Note that the standard path is consulted in including myinclude.pro,
otherwise it should be in your current directory. Text is included
from the file verbatim. In the example above, @myinclude.pro appears
within a procedure. Therefore, myinclude.pro should contain neither a
PRO or FUNCTION declaration, nor a final END statement. Works the
same as a C #include directive.

Happy programming,
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