
Subject: Common trouble

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Q1: How do you delete a common block (other than by exiting IDL)?

Q3: Should commons be avoided altogether in IDL ?

Q2: Why does this not work (got the same with IDL 5.1 on linux):

IDL Version 5.0.3 (Win32 x86). Research Systems, Inc.

For basic information, enter "IDLInfo" at the IDL> prompt.

;;;; (No startup file being run here!)

IDL> .r testcomn

```
common mycomblock,p,q,r
      ^
```

% P is already defined with a conflicting definition.

At: c:\tasclib.idl\special\testcomn.pro, Line 2

```
common mycomblock,p,q,r
      ^
```

% Q is already defined with a conflicting definition.

At: c:\tasclib.idl\special\testcomn.pro, Line 2

```
common mycomblock,p,q,r
      ^
```

% R is already defined with a conflicting definition.

At: c:\tasclib.idl\special\testcomn.pro, Line 2

% 3 Compilation errors in module TESTCOMN.

; begin code -----

```
pro testcomn,p,q,r
```

```
common mycomblock,p,q,r
```

```
return
```

```
end
```

```
; end code -----
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Thanks, Kristian.
