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Subject: Re: Func define

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In article <3914EBCF.64D4E023@crsa.bu.edu>, Yu Zhang  
<yuzhang@crsa.bu.edu> wrote:

> I happen to have a small problem when I tried to do some  
> integrations with IDL. For example, I want to use INT\_2D or QSIMP to do  
> a calculation. But I found out that the "Func" defined in these  
> functions  
> only have limited parameters (equal to dimension of integral you want to  
> do).  
> Other coefficients must be fixed.  
> What to do if I need more parameter in the defined function?  
> (e.g. I need  $y=a*x+b$  and want to change a, b value outside)  
> It seems strange that this shouldn't be difficult to consider,  
> or I just fail to catch up the spirit of IDL.

A simple way to do this, although not the only way, is to include a  
common block in the function.

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FUNCTION MY_FUN, x
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COMMON MY_FUN_PARAMETERS, a, b
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```
RETURN, a + b*x  
END
```

Regards, Ken Bowman

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