
Subject: Re: mkdir?

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"Christopher W. O'Dell" wrote:

>
> Is there anyway to create a directory in your OS from within
> IDL?
> I keep running into problems using the SAVE function, when I
> have forgotten to create the directory to which I am
> saving. I just want to add a line of code that checks if
> the directory exists, and if it doesn't it makes the
> directory.
> BTW, I'm running on a Windows platform (your are welcome to
> make fun of me at this point...)
>
> Thanks,
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Here is what I do under Unix in IDL 5.1:

```
dir = '/the/directory/im/looking/for/'  
  
; Create the directory, if necessary.  
check = findfile( dir, count=direxists )  
if (direxists eq 0) then spawn, 'mkdir '+dir
```

I am sure something equivalent can be done in Windows.

Jeff.
