Subject: Re: mkdir?
Posted by Wayne Landsman on Wed, 14 Feb 2001 03:17:13 GMT

"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...)

If you have V5.4 you can use FILE_TEST(/DIR) to test if a directory
exists, and FILE_MKDIR to create a directory.   If you have an earlier
IDL version you can try to CD to the directory and catch any errors (as
in   http://sohowww.nascom.nasa.gov/solarsoft/gen/idl/system/is_d ir.pro)
and SPAWN to create a directory.

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