
Subject: Re: Modules directory howto find or link IDL 2 it
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"Sean Heukels" <sean77=cuthere=@dds.nl> writes:

- > I've written several modules, ones that work,
- > and have proven themselves through time,
- > how do I link them (from a subdir) in IDL???
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- > We have IDL running on Unix, multi user, all with our own homes.
- > I want my version of IDL or in my environment to look for a PRO file
- > in its current directory, then MYmodule directory and then the IDL main
- > module directory.
- > How can I accomplish this?
- > Must I set a environment variable??

Quick answers. I assume you are running Unix, since that's what it sounds like from your post:

- * if you have an idl_setup script that runs in your login files, then right after that, put the following statement:

```
setenv IDL_PATH $HOME/mymodule:$IDL_PATH
```

or the equivalent in your shell language

- * if you are using a default "idl" script, then you won't be able to set the path variable in your login ahead of time. You can still use a start-up script. In your login file put something like this:

```
setenv IDL_STARTUP ~/.idl_startup.pro
```

and in .idl_startup.pro put this:

```
!PATH = '~/mymodule:' + !PATH
```

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