Subject: Re: Changing common variable definition Posted by tai on Tue, 26 Jul 1994 11:52:19 GMT

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Matthew Larkum (larkum@optolab.unibe.ch) wrote:
: common my_vars, x, y
: and then add a variable:
: common my_vars, x, y, z
: and recompile, I get an error:
: % Attemp to extend previously defined common: MY_VARS
: Is there any way to redefine a common variable?
No, your common block definitions must all be the same (ala Fortran).
If you're using IDL version 3.6, you can just do the following:
  common my_vars, x, y
  common my_vars
If you're using an earlier version, my suggestion is to go with an
@include file.
main program:
  @globals.pro
  @globals.pro
globals.pro:
  common my_vars, x, y
Hope this helps.
Alan
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