
Subject: Re: wait loop
Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Thu, 20 Sep 2001 11:41:32 GMT
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Dominik Paul wrote:

>
> hi there,
>
> we would like to check a directory, if there is a file every 10 oder 20
> minutes in an IDL programm For this we would like to use a waitung funktion,
> in a loop, which doesnt cost to much processor time.
>
> Does somebody know a waiting function for this problem, because I coulnd
> find anything suitable in the IDL help files.
>
> Thanks
>
> Dom

Dear Dom,

are you looking for something like:

```
FUNCTION wait_until_daytime,day_time
```

```
    ask_time = string2js(day_time)  
    time_now = string2js(/now)
```

```
    IF ask_time lt time_now THEN return,0
```

```
    WHILE time_now LT ask_time DO time_now = string2js(/now)
```

```
    RETURN,1  
END
```

```
result=wait_until_daytime('2001-09-20 13:35:00 000')
```

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http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg1/idl\_icglib/idl\_source/idl\_html/dbase/download/string2js.tar.gz
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regards
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a IDL library at ForschungsZentrum Juelich
[http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg1/idl_icglib/idl_lib_intro.h tml](http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg1/idl_icglib/idl_lib_intro.html)

<http://www.fz-juelich.de/zb/text/publikation/juel3786.html>

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read something about linux / windows
<http://www.suse.de/de/news/hotnews/MS.html>
