
Subject: Re: IDL 5.4 on Solaris? Please test
Posted by [David Shadovitz](#) on Wed, 28 Nov 2001 01:27:21 GMT
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Here's the scoop:

RSI says that it (the loss of redirected output) is a known bug in IDL 5.4 and is fixed in IDL 5.5. The fix for IDL 5.4 is to use "flush":

flush, -1 ; Flush the output buffer so that informational messages can be written
flush, -2 ; Flush the output buffer so that stderr can be written

So the code below now works. That is, the output file now does in fact contain the program's output.

```
$ cat runidl  
print, 'Hello world'  
flush, -1  
flush, -2  
exit
```

```
$ idl runidl > runidl.out
```

```
$ cat runidl.out  
Hello world
```

Thanks to all who responded.
-David

David Shadovitz wrote:

> A colleague is bringing up this issue with RSI, and we'll let you (all)
> know of any positive developments. I wonder if IDL 5.5 also kills
> the redirect.
