
Subject: Re: IDL data to Excel sheets?

Posted by [Rick Towler](#) on Wed, 05 Dec 2001 19:39:23 GMT

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I am fairly confident that this is not possible using IDL. There have been a few posts regarding Excel and queries for routines to read/write .xls files that have gone mostly unanswered. Since we have no idea how you are writing data to Excel it is hard to say. If you are on a mac, you could probably do it with "DO_APPLE_SCRIPT" but I have only used ActiveX/VBA on the PC so that's a guess.

I really think that it would be far easier and faster to write something in VBA to do this (aka a macro). I'm not a big fan of The Man (tm) but Excel's VBA interface is excellent. Just make sure you install the VBA help files, they aren't installed by default.

-Rick

"Ted Cary" <tedcary@yahoo.com> wrote in message
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> I wrote an IDL program to acquire data from different frames in an image
> sequence (QuickTime Movie). I would like to save the data from each
> frame to a different sheet in a a single Microsoft Excel file--one Excel
> Workbook for each movie instead of one for each frame. I don't want to
> resort to an Excel macro. Does anyone know how to do this from within
> IDL? In other words, how do I format data in a file so that Excel will
> divide it into sheets?
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> Thanks.
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