
Subject: Re: Online Help ideas

Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Thu, 16 May 2002 18:09:46 GMT

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Ben Tupper wrote:

>
> On Fri, 10 May 2002 15:40:42 GMT, btupper@bigelow.org (Ben Tupper)
> wrote:
>
>>
>> So here's the question:
>>
>> What would you like to see for online help resources from RSI?
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>
> All right guys, quit holding back :)
>
> How about this?
>
> IDL> ?Median
>
> would bring up the online hyper help for the MEDIAN function, but
>
> IDL> ??Median
>
> would print the following in the output log or command window,
>
> Result = MEDIAN(Array [, Width] [, /EVEN])
>
> Just a minimal reminder of the appropriate syntax, etc., for the
> procedure. This might get a bit too much for some items... for
> example an object with a bazillion properties, but perhaps it could be
> fine tuned by method.
>
> IDL> ??IDLgrModel::Rotate
>
> Obj -> [IDLgrModel::]Rotate, Axis, Angle [, /PREMULTIPLY]
>
> Might save a bit of mouse navigation.
>
> And, ah, keep those great ideas pouring in!
>
> Ben

Dear Ben,

if it's an idl source like mean.pro I have already a solution.

You can try my helpon.

http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl_icglib/idl_source/idl_html/dbase/download/helpon.tar.gz

It did a bit more as you mentioned.

To get the declaration:

```
IDL> helpon,mean
```

```
function mean, x, double = double, nan = nan
```

To show definition of CALLING SEQUENCE from the header

```
IDL> helpon,'mean',/call
```

```
Result = MEAN(X)
```

To show all routines used by mean sorted by time of change

```
IDL> helpon,'mean',/info
```

```
MOMENT /usr/local/idl/idl/lib/moment.pro 2001-08-29 13:07:53
```

```
MEAN /usr/local/idl/idl/lib/mean.pro 2001-08-29 13:07:20
```

```
IDL> helpon,'mean',/info, /html
```

same as previous but output in to \$HOME/idl_export.html (windows
%TEMP%/idl_export.html)

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

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