Subject: Re: saving variables between calls to a procedure? Posted by Mark Hadfield on Wed, 31 Jul 2002 22:14:39 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

"Reimar Bauer" <R.Bauer(no spam)@fz-juelich.de> wrote in message news:ai9ck5\$41hp\$1@zam602.zam.kfa-juelich.de...

> Shawn wrote:

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- >> ...It actually just occured to me that I might declare a common
- >> block which is actually not shared with any other procedure, then I
- >> would be able to avoid mistakenly using the variable in that
- >> procedure in a way that I did not intend to use it. Is it possible
- >> to do this, declare a common block, but not use it in any other
- >> procedure, and will IDL remember the variables if the common block
- >> is not used in any other procedure?

Yes. Make sure you give it a name that won't clash with anything else, eg "my_procedure_common"

- > I don't like common blocks too. Most times I am using parameters as
- > variable or structure or pointer. It depends on what's the routine
- > should do.

I don't "like" common blocks either but what on earth is wrong with using one here?

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