Subject: Input parameters in a DOS menu driven routine.
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Hi,

I have a fortran exe file which I run, then I have to input some
parameters and finally I obtain a result (this all happens of course
in a DOS window). Something like:
C:\>program.exe
C:\>input temperature:
C:\>input density:
and so on
c:\>The result is: 5

Now, how can I do this from IDL? I can call the file with Spawn but
then how do I input the parameters? I was trying to Spawn a batch file
wich runs some programs I found on the web which simulate pre-defined
keystrokes, but all of them have the problem that no more than 15
keystrokes could be passed (I need more than 15)...

Of course there is also the question on how do I take the final result
of the fortran routine back to IDL...

Any ideas?

thanks.

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