Subject: Sending data to the serial port (Linux)?
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Hello and a nice new year!

Is there an easy way to send data to the serial port
under Linux? I have some values in a spreadsheet that
need to be reformatted and sent to e.g. /dev/ttyS0.
I think of exporting the spreadsheet as csv and read it
into IDL, reformatting is easy and no problem but how
do I send the strings to the serial interface? Probably by
writing to another file and doing a 'cat foobar /dev/ttyS0'?
Is the latter possible in the timed demo mode (I need
to to this at home without access to our license server).

If anybody is curious: The data are the program steps
for a slide show that should be presented with a
programmable slide projector (Rollei Twin MSC325P).

There is probably an easy solution without using IDL
any hints?) but IDL is the only language I have a
good pragramming experience with! :-)

Thanks,

Olaf