
Subject: Re: Calling a Python script from IDL
Posted by [cedricl](#) on Sun, 11 Jul 2004 18:03:50 GMT
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It depends on how involved your script is. If you're on Unix, you could maybe use a Unix pipe with the IDL command "spawn". Something like "spawn, 'python myscrip.py'". Look at the external development guide.

I have never used a Unix pipe myself, so I'm not sure if they can support "huge amounts of data", or how a Python program can manage this data coming from the standard input...

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lwelser@physics.unr.edu (Leslie Welser) wrote in message news:<c870f808.0407070845.74d8e68c@posting.google.com>...
> Is there a way to call a Python script from within IDL and have it
> return information to the IDL program? (Python is an object-oriented
> scripting language similar to perl and java). I'm working on
> visualizing huge amounts of data in an IDL widget, and a python script
> to parse through this data is already in existence.
> Thanks,
> Leslie Welser
