Subject: Re: redirecting output
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kl_tah@hotmail.com (KL) wrote in message
news:<9af2bc14.0407151757.3142ab13@posting.google.com>...
> Hi,
> anyone know how I can redirect output from the idl command line to a file?
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> eg. if idl understood unix style redirect, this might look something like
>
> IDL>   print, structure.name > filename

You can call a function from the Unix prompt with:

somehost% IDL somefunction

I think that you should be able to redirect the output with a >.
Otherwise, use printf "somefunction, someparameters" | IDL >
output.txt (or something like that). If you don't follow the IDL rule
of one function per file, you can write your tasks in a batch file,
and have it run with

printf "@mybatch" | IDL

In the file mybatch, you can compile functions as you wish with .comp.

It's a little complicated, but I've researched alternatives and
haven't found any. BTW, this is also how I automate the queueing of
IDL commands to run in the background as separate IDL processes, using
at.

HTH,

Cedric