
Subject: Re: serial port

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okay i try to explain better...

i want to write a program that uses the gps and so i need to read and write directly from the serial port.

on the idl web-site there is a zip file (under user-contributed site, section dll and dlm files) that seems to provide what i need.

if you unzip the file you get 4 files:

serial.dll and serial.dlm (to be put in a specified folder)

a readme file that is a bit like the help page that describes 4 functions

and a c-language source code (it doesn't have a main).

my goal is to be able to use the functions described in the text file:

these functions are

comm_open

comm_read

comm_write

comm_close.

all this stuff is achieved through dynamically linked modules, and in this case it means that my idl program must be coupled with some piece of C-language..

what i did is just putting the dll and dlm files in the right folder,

and than trying to use the functions as normal idl functions.

but they are not recognized as functions.

moreover i didn't use the c source file in any way... but i think i

should use it.. if it contained a main i could try to spawn it from

the main idl module but i can't get an executable out of it becuse it contains no main...

thanks in advance

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