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Subject: Re: web/ftp access in IDL (and in VM)  
Posted by [R.G. Stockwell](#) on Fri, 20 Aug 2004 16:16:24 GMT  
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"Wayne Landsman" <wlandsman@jhu.edu> wrote in message  
news:m%bVc.25214\$Kf4.14124@nwrddc02.gnilink.net...  
>> ----- Original Message -----  
> From: "Andrew Cool" <andrew.cool@dsto.defence.gov.au>  
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>  
>> "R.G. Stockwell" <noemail@please.com> wrote in message  
> news:<kC6Tc.373\$7A1.21311@news.uswest.net>...  
>>>  
>>> So, has anyone used IDL to open (as a client) some type of connection to  
>>> a server, and list files, download selected files, etc? Any problems  
> that  
>>> you've run into, is this a viable solution to accessing data remotely?  
>>> I could just put a directory listing on a web page, but I like the idea  
> of  
>>> a data analyzing widget that the user could run, to create figures, do  
> simple  
>>> processing, etc.  
>  
>> You can certainly use Sockets to ftp data from a remote site.  
>> I've done this to read Topex data from  
>>  
> ftp://podaac.jpl.nasa.gov/pub/sea\_surface\_height/topex\_poseidon/mgdrb/data/  
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>  
> Besides Andrew Cool's suggestion you can also look at Dominic Zarro's OO  
> implementation of IDL sockets at  
> http://orpheus.nascom.nasa.gov/~zarro/idl/sockets.html  
>  
> And for simple http access from a Web server you could try my program  
> webget.pro at http://idlastro.gsfc.nasa.gov/ftp/pro/sockets/webget.pro  
>  
> --Wayne Landsman

Great, thanks for the links Wayne!

Cheers,  
bob

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