
Subject: Re: Running IDL from the OS command line
Posted by [Nigel Wade](#) on Fri, 03 Sep 2004 09:10:20 GMT
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On Thu, 02 Sep 2004 14:09:45 -0400, Paul Van Delst wrote:

> Hello,
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> This is probably an easy question, but I couldn't find any information in the IDL manuals
> (mostly because I wasn't sure what the correct terminology was).
>
> Can you run regular old IDL .pro functions from the OS prompt?
>
> I adapted the IDL code "Create_HTML_Doc" to work on my Fortran95 code to produce web
pages
> of the header docs. I have a unix make file that bundles up all my Fortran source into
> tarballs for delivery. What I would like to do is also generate the HTML files in the same
> make file.
>
> So, if I have call the code like so in IDL:
>
> IDL> create_f90_html_doc, filelist
>
> where filelist is an array of files to parse, is it possible to call this directly from
> the OS prompt?
>
> I'm pretty sure it is, but bugger me if I can figure out how.
>
> Thanks for any tips,
>
> paulv

You can use the shell 'here-document' operator <<.

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$idl << EOF  
create_f90_html_doc, filelist  
exit  
EOF
```

This also works in shell scripts.

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