## Subject: Re: Running IDL from the OS command line Posted by Paul Van Delst[1] on Thu, 02 Sep 2004 20:14:46 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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Craig Markwardt wrote:  > Paul Van Delst <paul.vandelst@noaa.gov> writes:  &gt;</paul.vandelst@noaa.gov>
>> Hello,
>> This is probably an easy question, but I couldn't find any information in hte 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?
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> Paul, you can run an IDL command *script* from the unix command line.
> By "command script" I mean anything that you can load with > @filename.pro from the command prompt. Just like the real command > line, you can't use complex multi-line syntax, but you can call > procedures that do.
<ul><li>You invoke it as</li><li>idl filename.pro</li></ul>
<ul> <li>Be sure to put any EXIT commands or whatever else you need to quit</li> <li>out. You don't need an END command since this is a command script.</li> </ul>
Ahh, cool. I knew it was something simple, I just couldn't find the info in the IDL docs.
I just tested it out in my makefile - beyooteeful. Instant Fortran95 HTML documentation. Lordy!
Thanks!

paulv