
Subject: Running IDL from the OS command line
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Hello,

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,

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