
Subject: Re: IDL environment

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 28 Dec 2004 16:02:25 GMT

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Michael Wallace writes:

> Maybe I'm missing something, which I usually do, but wouldn't you just
> need a single command?
>
> IDL> \$pwd
> /the/current/working/directory
>
> I use the shell escape (\$) when I need to do something quick with the
> file system. I use \$ls, \$pwd and \$vi (!!) all the time it seems. Of
> course, this is only useful for ad hoc IDL from the prompt, but that is
> what the original poster was asking about, no?

Well, of course, this saves that extra \$ character, which adds
up over the course of an IDL lifetime. But it also works on
those annoying Windows machines that some of us use. :-)

Cheers,

David

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