
Subject: Re: IDL, GDL, copyright, EULAs and such
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In article <1120669967.155972.166240@g14g2000cwa.googlegroups.com>, "Y.T."
<ytyourclothes@p.zapto.org> wrote:

>
> essential tool like "linfit" is unavailable. So I copy it from my

There's a free version of linfit at
<http://www.astro.washington.edu/deutsch-bin/getpro/library37.html?LINFIT>

it's not the same as the IDL version, so you'd need to work it into a
function, and add the keywords that the IDL version makes available

> an open-ended question -- can I continue to use basic, trivial functions
> like "poly.pro" or "factorial.pro" with GDL after IDL has expired? How

factorial is written (I know, I wrote it :) It should be fully compatible
with the IDL version. It, and a few other library functions live in
the gdl/src/pro directory, in case you haven't found them.

POLY is something like

function poly,x,c

```
nc=n_elements(c)
p=0*x
for i=nc-1,1L,-1 do p=(p+c[i])*x
p=p+c[0]
return p
```

end

Chris.
