
Subject: Re: Multiple Spawn Commands

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It seems that IDL SPAWN evokes a new SHELL and only executes one line of comand each time, even when you write all the commands to a temp batch file and execute it. You can put all the commands in one line (seperated by &&) and execute it. Also, maybe you can use IDL's CD procedure to change the working directory.

Tian

Ryan. wrote:

> Dear IDL Gurus,

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> Is it possible to issue multiple Spawn commands in Unix IDL without
> closing the shell? What I want to do is issue a very simple foreach
> loop but i cannot call spawn long enough to input all the commands. I
> think i might have to use the Unit keyword of spawn but i'm not sure
> how it works. Due to the simplicity of what I want to do I might be
> able to do it in fewer commands in Unix but I don't have enough
> experience in Unix to know how. Any help would be greatly appreciated.
> I want the following commands issued in Unix:

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> change to desired directory
> foreach i (file1 file2 file3 ...)
> ...file_dump.pl -\$i ...
> end

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> To do this I have the following:
> spawn, foreachcommand
> spawn, filedumpcommand
> spawn, endcommand
>
> but this obviously does not work.

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> Thanks,
> Ryan.
