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Subject: Re: call\_procedure with a dynamically created arguments list?

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"Dometz" <dometz@gmail.com> wrote in message

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> Basically, all I am doing is:

> I automatically parse someones code and replace certain calls (ex:

> read\_png) with wrapper functions. Inside of these wrapper functions, I

> record then timestamp when they were called, with what arguments etc.

> Now all this is supposed to happen transparent to the user. Basically,

> the user shouldnt even know that this happening or at least it shouldnt

> affect him.

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> dometz

Well, the user is going to know, because the user will have to call the wrapper.

The following is a horrible suggestion, I forbid you to do it. :)

but, why not just modify the actual function (if it is indeed read\_png.pro or any of the other functions with pro files). They are in the lib folder of the IDL installation.

Just make sure that you take care when upgrading IDL versions.

I would make a CREATE\_LOG\_ENTRY procedure that does everything you want, and paste it into each of the functions you wanted to wrap.

Inside of read\_pict.pro

"PRO READ\_PICT, filename, resultimage, r, g, b, DEBUG = DEBUG"

add a line like:

CREATE\_LOG\_ENTRY, 'Read\_pict', filename, resultimage, r, g, b, debug

where your routine is something like

pro CREATE\_LOG\_ENTRY,

  routinename, generic1, generic2, generic3, generic4, generic5, generic6, generic7, generic8

  openw, lun, 'logfile'

  printf, lun, routinename

  printf, lun, n\_elements(generic1)

  printf, lun, n\_elements(generic2)

  printf, lun, n\_elements(generic3)

  etc.

Cheers,  
bob

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