
Subject: Re: URL Parsing for wget in IDL

Posted by [Allan Whiteford](#) on Tue, 17 Jul 2007 16:34:44 GMT

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Ben Panter wrote:

> Hi Folks,

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> Does anyone know of a handy way of parsing URLs in IDL? Or even a nice
> perl script to do it? The situation is that we have a server that can
> accept SQL queries via URL encoding of a get command, which works in the
> main part but falls over with '&' and '+' type syntax.

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> I'll write a regexp version myself if necessary, but it's not trivial
> - you have to ensure the ordering is correct as there are several
> encodings which use characters which would otherwise be replaced.

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> cheers,

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> Ben

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Ben,

Maybe I'm misunderstanding your problem but if you're just spawning wget
then adding the /sh keyword might fix most of your problems.

e.g.:

url=' http://www.google.co.uk/webhp?ie=UTF-8&oe=UTF-8&hl=en&q=&tab=iw'

spawn,'wget '+url ; doesn't work

spawn,'wget '+url,/sh ; works

Thanks,

Allan
