
Subject: Re: capital letters in file names?

Posted by [Vince Hradil](#) on Sat, 17 Nov 2007 18:12:30 GMT

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On Nov 16, 6:11 pm, "jdm...@gmail.com" <jdm...@gmail.com> wrote:

> Hello,

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> Is anyone aware of there being an issue with IDL recognizing .pro
> files in a directory as being associated with IDL if there are capital
> letters in the file name? I got a lot of "Variable is undefined"
> messages when I tried to use functions I had written within other
> programs. This even occurred when I had already compiled those
> functions. On a couple of occasions, if I restarted IDL and compiled
> everything right at the start, it worked, but on some occasions it did
> not. Finally, I removed all capital letters from filenames, and
> everything has run a couple of times without issues. Is it just the
> capital letters (in which case I will just avoid that in the future)
> or is there another issue?

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> Thanks,

> James

You should tell us what OS you are using.

If you are using a *nix OS and you do, say, .comp test, IDL will look for test.pro which must contain a procedure or function called "test" (same capitalization). If the file name is Test.pro and the procedure in it is "test", then you call "Test", IDL will compile Test.pro creating a procedure called "test", but it won't be able to find "Test"

Clear as mud?
