
Subject: Re: how to find name of top level program
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On Jan 11, 2:04 pm, Enemy of the State <mfquig...@wisc.edu> wrote:

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> Greetings IDL comrades!
>
> I suspect this is an overly simple question but I'm stumped.....
>
> What I would like to do is to find out the name of the top level IDL
> procedure so that I can put it via xyouts on the plots it produces:
>
> pro junk,xxx
>
> ... various other routines and functions called to do one thing or
> another ...
>
> plot, some_vector
>
> .... something magical happens here so that I have a variable (eg,
> program_name)
>     that tells me the name of the program that produced this plot
> is "junk"
>
> sub_xyouts,.1,.1,' name of program that produced this plot is
> '+program_name,/normal
>
> return
> end
>
> It seems like the help command would do this somehow, but darn if I
> can figure out how it might be done.
>
> Thanks!
>
> Mark
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Here's what I do:

```
help, /recall_commands, output=cmds
cmdline = strmid(cmds[1],2)
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