
Subject: Re: running idl from a cron job
Posted by [pgrigis](#) on Fri, 01 Feb 2008 19:36:30 GMT
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Well, here's how I do it (there may be other ways tough).

Define a shell script doing two things:

- set up an IDL_STARTUP environmental variable with the full path to a valid IDL program (let's say is called idl_startup.pro)
- start idl

Then, in idl_startup.pro put in

[your initialization for IDL]

your_program

exit
end

This way, you can put the shell script in your cron table, and this will execute your IDL initializations, then the program called your_program and exit IDL when your_program is finished.

Ciao,
Paolo

rlaybe...@hotmail.com wrote:

- > hi
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- > can someone give me a link to show how to run an idl peice of code
- > from a unix shell script
- >
- > thanks
- >
- > russ