
Subject: Re: Self-compiling procedures

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On Feb 16, 11:50 pm, Michael Aye <kmichael....@googlemail.com> wrote:

> On Feb 16, 11:30 pm, Spon <christoph.b...@gmail.com> wrote:

>> On Feb 16, 10:18 pm, maye <kmichael....@googlemail.com> wrote:

>>> Thanks so much for your fast answers, and I'm very sorry, I was too

>>> imprecise with my question, silly me.

>>> I am actually looking for a way to group similar procedures into one

>>> file to reduce the amount of library files, it's just harder to

>>> maintain.

>>> Is there a way to keep things still self-compilable when I put several

>>> procedures into one file?

>> Short answer - no.

>> Here, have a read of this, particularly the second half:

>> <http://www.dfanning.com/tips/namefiles.html>

> And I got an idea: I could at least sort things by subfolders. As IDL

> parses recursively - as it was mentioned before - I can put related

> procedures together.

> Thanks for your hints.

If the functions are truly related, you may want to investigate the use of object programming. The IDL manual on the subject is quite horrible - it assumes you want to use their object graphics and write user interfaces in IDL (yuck). But as far as grouping related function, it is a powerful concept. Be prepared to dive into pointers though.

Maarten
