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Subject: Re: Self-compiling procedures

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On Feb 16, 11:05 pm, Spon <christoph.b...@gmail.com> wrote:

> On Feb 16, 6:47 pm, maye <kmichael....@googlemail.com> wrote:

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>> Hi!

>> In terms of self-compiling I'm a beginner, so please excuse my

>> ignorance if this is written somewhere in the manual, I couldn't find

>> it easily at least:

>> So far I put every procedure I consider to be useful enough for more

>> than one task in its extra file, so that if it's called, IDL compiles

>> it automatically, having the procedure and file name identical.

>> But after a while, the number of files I have keeps growing.

>> I wonder if there's another elegant way to keep things auto-compilable

>> without me having to compile some kind of library before I start

>> working on a task using my "library" of useful procedures.

>> Am I missing something simple?

>> Thanks for any hints and a nice weekend!

>> Best regards,

>> Michael

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> You should add your library directory to your !PATH - File->Preferences->Path.

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> Then you can call every procedure/function in the library without ever

> having to compile it first. In fact, any directory that has any .pro

> file in it is probably better off in !PATH. Top level directories,

> anyway - thankfully IDL searches recursively.

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> Take care,

> Chris

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?

Cheers,

Michael

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