
Subject: Re: IDL 6.3 read_binary ??

Posted by [Spon](#) on Wed, 05 Mar 2008 18:13:19 GMT

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Jean H wrote:

> kerninger@gmx.de wrote:

>> I checked all of your ideas but still the same problem.

>> I only compiled this procedure alone and I get the same error message.

>> thanks for your contribution so far.

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>> kerninger

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> so, there is one thing we haven't checked: the content of "fname".... It

> should fire a runtime error, not a syntax, but let's see...

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> especially, are the path separator the good ones for your machine? you

> said you have tried the same code under IDL5.6... is it on the same

> operating system?

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> Jean

There's another tack we could take: it looks to me like IDL is having trouble finding the

READ_BINARY function, though heaven knows why.

IF this is the case then I suspect that by adding in the line:

```
forward_function read_binary
```

before your "array=..." line will at best make the problem go away and

at worst get rid of the compilation error and replace it with a "%

Attempt to call undefined procedure/function:" message.

Then all you'll have to do is find out `_why_` IDL isn't finding the function ;-)

Are you defining a variable called `read_binary` somewhere?

Do you have a string that ends in:

```
.../rsi/idl_6.3/lib
```

somewhere in the output of:

```
print,transpose(strsplit(!path,':',/extract)) ; ?
```

- I'm assuming a *nix OS due to the forward slashes you reported here:

```
% Syntax error.
```

```
At: /home/.../clump_pp.pro, Line 276
```

```
% 1 Compilation error(s) in module GET_DATA.
```

This is getting interesting...
