
Subject: Re: IDL Workbench Path Woes

Posted by [Spon](#) on Wed, 02 Apr 2008 17:30:53 GMT

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On Apr 2, 6:21 pm, Spon <christoph.b...@gmail.com> wrote:

> On Apr 2, 5:34 pm, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:

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>> Spon writes:

>>> As I'm currently in the grip of evangelical fervour induced by a

>>> re-reading of JD Smith's (in)famous oration -

>>> <http://www.dfanning.com/tips/forloops.html>-I've discovered that you

>>> can replace the FOR loop by using TRANSPOSE; like this:

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>>> Print, Transpose(StrSplit(!PATH, Path_Sep(/SEARCH_PATH), /Extract))

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>> JD, of course, is famous, but hardly anyone reads (well,

>> finishes) his articles. I, on the other hand, am not

>> famous at all, but a lot of people have read the nonsense

>> I've written. The difference between us is the

>> energy differential given off by the human brain when

>> they read a line of code like that compared to my humble

>> PrintPath program. :-)

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>> Cheers,

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>> David

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>> Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

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> Butbutbut...

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> theSeparator = Path_Sep(/SEARCH_PATH)

> theStringArray = (!Path, theSeparator, /EXTRACT)

> theStringColumnArray = Transpose(theStringArray)

> Print, theStringColumnArray

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> ...and suddenly you'd be hard pushed to spot JD's influence at all ;-)

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> I think you're selling yourself short, David!

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> Chris

Grr... this is what I get for being a smart Alec I guess.

This:

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> theStringArray = (!Path, theSeparator, /EXTRACT)
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Should of course read:

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theStringArray = StrSplit(!Path, theSeparator, /EXTRACT)
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