Subject: Re: not so IDL related... Command line auto-feed
Posted by Jean H. on Wed, 09 Jul 2008 16:38:04 GMT
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Jeff N. wrote:
> On Jul 7, 7:00 pm, Jean H <jghas...@DELTHIS.ucalgary.ANDTHIS.ca>
> wrote:
>> Hi all,
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>> sorry for the misuse of this forum... though one of the smart here may
>> be of great help!
>>
>> Ok, I have to process about 200 files though a program called dem2xyzn
>> (for USGS DEM files). This program runs only under windows (and dos),
>> and have basically no support. You start the program, then it ask for
>> the name of the input file, then for the name of the output file, then
>> if you are sure you want to continue etc.
>>
>> I want to automate all of this...
>> There seems to be no way of specifying the parameters values (input,
>> output) when calling the program.
>>
>> Is there a way to have a text being written in the current dos window?
>> something that would look like, in pseudo-code:
>>
>> -call the program
>> -write input1
>> -write input2
>> -write any letter to tell the prog to continue
>> =start again with another set of input?
>>
>> I have tried to do a batch file, but the "write input1" get executed
>> after the program has resumed...
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>> Any help of hints would be greatly appreciated!!!
>> Jean
>
> Are you doing everything (including specifying input & output
> parameters) at the command line? If so, you might be able to stick
> the input parameters in a text file (1 param per line) and do the same
> for any output params. Then run a command like this:
>
> program_name <input_params.txt >output_params.txt
>
> This is just redirecting standard input and standard output, but last
> time i checked (admittedly, this has been quite a while) you can still
> do it at the windows command prompt.
>

> Hope it helps,
> Jeff

Thanks, it works perfectly!
Jean