Subject: Re: Passing Batch File Names
Posted by Michael Galloy on Tue, 02 Sep 2008 15:54:19 GMT

On Sep 2, 9:41 am, Trae <traewin...@gmail.com> wrote:
> Hey everyone,
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> I have a code that calls a batch file to assign variables that I want
> the main level program to have. The names of the variables and the
> number may change randomly, and not by me, so I didn't want to use a
> procedure where I would have to change it every time an alteration was
> made in the save file.
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> Now, I need to execute a batch file whose name is passed by another
> program. I've used call_method, call_procedure, and call_function,
> but I see nothing like call_batch.
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> My current fix is the following:
>
> spawn, 'cp ' + in_name+' temp_name.pro'
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> @temp_name.pro
>
> This doesn't seem very clean, but it makes all of the variables
> available to the main level.
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> Any brighter ideas?

I thought EXECUTE would be the answer, but it appears that it can't
call a batch file:

IDL> @test
     5
IDL> print, execute('@test')

@test
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% Illegal character in program text.
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