
Subject: Re: Can IDL be used to generate microsoft word documents automatically?

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On May 10, 7:22 am, "Jeff N." <jeffnettles4...@gmail.com> wrote:

> On May 10, 10:01 am, Dave <daikan1...@tom.com> wrote:

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>> Dear people:

>> Everyday, i have lots of word documents to produce, which have the
>> same forms but different text and image contents. Please tell me if
>> there are any ways to using IDL to generate word automatically? thanks
>> a lot.

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>> dave

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> If you are using Windows and have a fairly recent version of IDL (6.3+
> i think), then yes you can theoretically do this using ActiveX/COM
> objects. I've tried it however, and have met with mixed results.
> It's fairly easy to get Word running with an IDL program, but beyond
> that I wasn't able to do much else that was useful. The reason for
> this was not anything that was the fault of IDL, but that Word's
> object model is so, well, obtuse i guess is the nice way to put it.
> So i had the same trouble controlling Word from several different
> ActiveX-aware languages, including perl and visual basic itself. But
> yes it's theoretically possible, look at IDLcomIDispatch objects in
> the IDL help files to get you started, and good luck!

maybe look at this:

<http://www.faststone.org/>
