
Subject: Re: idl -quiet command-line option doesn't work in cron
Posted by [Bringfried Stecklum](#) on Fri, 24 Jul 2009 17:28:30 GMT
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Edward Hyer wrote:

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> On Jul 23, 11:34 am, Bringfried Stecklum <steck...@tls-tautenburg.de>
> wrote:
>> You have to redirect the output in /etc/crontab, like
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>> # m h dom mon dow user  command
>> 25 6   * * *   hyer   idl -quiet -queue -rt=routine.sav &> /dev/null
>>
>
> Ah, but I *want* the output (to my logfile) and I *want* the errors
> (to my email). What I do not want is the IDL startup message. The
> command line option -quiet, exists for exactly this reason, and it
> works-- except, for some reason, it doesn't work in cron. Puzzling.
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I got you wrong, sorry. Do you call idl directly in crontab or via a shell script? A last resort would be to pipe the output into "head -n +2" to skip the first two lines.
