
Subject: Re: Linking code into IDL

Posted by [Arno F. Granados](#) on Tue, 27 Aug 1996 07:00:00 GMT

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> Claus Hammerl wrote:

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> Hi there,

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> I wrote an idl application and want it to be used by others, but I

> don't want others to look at the source code ... is there any

> possibility to do a compilation and run the compiled code or do

> I always have to run IDL and read the source code to run it ...

>

> thanks in advance

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if your main goal is to hide the source code, you can "save" a compiled IDL binary that others can restore and run. All they get is the binary, so your source code is effectively hidden.

Assuming you have an IDL procedure called my_prog.pro, you would do the following to save the binary:

```
IDL> .r my_prog.pro
```

```
IDL> resolve_all
```

```
IDL> save,/routines,filename='my_prog.sav'
```

to run your code, another user would type:

```
IDL> restore,filename='my_prog.sav'
```

```
IDL> my_prog
```

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