Subject: Re: IDL 8.0 compile_opt changes
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> 3. Are there potential issues with changing to "defint32" (32-bit
> integers), or is the only problem with parentheses for arrays?

Am I the only person who sees this as the bigger issue? I've never
used () for array subscription (came into IDL just after []) but I'm
guilty of reading in binary files assuming 16-bit integers.

My two cents: I hate the idea of a new file extension thanks to some
bad experiences with Fortran. I make extensive use of existing
libraries. I probably lean towards making idl2 the default, but much
as I've always thought it was an ugly method, I think the idea of
hiding an idl1 preference behind a comment character as H.E. suggests
is the best solution.

-Jeremy.