
Subject: Re: which stream is prompt written to?

Posted by [Christian Soeller](#) on Mon, 09 Sep 1996 07:00:00 GMT

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chs11@ciao.cc.columbia.edu (Carl H Sayres) writes:

>
> Your first example works (idl 2>stderr.out). But if you put a set of
> commands in a file and do this:
> idl < idl.in > idl.out 2> idl.err
> you don't get any prompts! Can anyone explain????
My guess is that idl checks if the input stream is associated with a
terminal and won't generate prompt messages otherwise.

Maybe you would be better of using callable IDL (see IDL advanced
development guide) for your particular way of issuing IDL commands under
external program control ?

Regards,

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