Subject: Re: Connecting GPC to IDL Posted by Michael Galloy on Sat, 11 Jun 2011 16:07:54 GMT

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kBob < krdean@gmail.com > wrote:
> On Jun 10, 7:52 am, Haje Korth <hajeko...@gmail.com> wrote:
>> Kelly: I have always found using gcc with IDL on Windows to be a
>> difficult endeavor. Also, the use of make_dll is optional and in the
>> past has made life more difficult rather than easier. I suggest
>> grabbing the free edition of Visual Studio Express and creating the
>> dll this way. Just remember to export the functions you will be
>> accessing from IDL. This is definitely an advanced topic, so start
>> with the simple examples in the external directory of the IDL distro.
>> Haje
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>> On Jun 9, 10:35 am, kBob < krd...@gmail.com> wrote:
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>>> On Jun 6, 2:11 pm, kBob < krd...@gmail.com> wrote:
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     I would like to use the General Polygon Clipper (GPC) thur IDL.
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>>>> This is a software package written in C that is available from
>>> Manchester that clips polygons.
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>>>> Has anyone implement this in IDL, already?
>>>> I assume MAKE DLL is the way to go.
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>>>> Kelly Dean
>>>> Milliken, CO
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>>> I am still looking into this, as time allows.
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>>> I ahve reviewed some different ways to implement this, I have
>>> determine that the following routines can be used :
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>>> LINKIMAGE
>>> SPAWN
>>> MAKE DLL
>>> CALL EXTERNAL
>>> CALL_EXTERNAL/MAKE_DLL
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>>> There is a nice example to use CALL_EXTERNAL/MAKE_DLL, but MAKE_DLL is
>>> giving me problems as I am trying to use the gcc compiler. There is a
>>> ITTVIS Tech Tip that helps, but another problem appears while dealing
>>> with the IDL example.
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>>> There is a GCP DLL provided thru the MatLab Contrib site. I am playing
>>> around with this in CALL_EXTERNAL, bypassing the MAKE_DLL.
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>>> Sorry, that this is turning into a blog, but I find it helps to scatch
>>> some notes down once in awhile for future reference.
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>>> Kelly Dean
>>> Milliken, CO- Hide quoted text -
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>> - Show quoted text -
> Yes, apparently the ITTVIS example assumes you have Microsoft Visual
> installed.
> Well, I spent most of the day installing Microsoft Visual C++ 10.0 and
> regist for the free version.
> So far, here are the problems I am having:
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> cl.exe : Solution ?
> mspdb100.dll pop-up : Solution ?
> stdio.h 'no such file' : Solution ?
> I am sure the problems are related to path, as all these file are
> within the new install of MS Visual Studio 10.0.
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> Kelly
Make sure to launch IDL from the special command line provided by VS (or
set your path and possibly other environment variables accordingly).
Mike
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