
Subject: Re: Starting idl quietly

Posted by [Marty Ryba](#) on Thu, 09 Jan 1997 08:00:00 GMT

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Martijn Dashorst wrote:

> I was wondering if it is possible to start IDL quietly. I start
> IDL from within a c-program using a pipe and nomatter what I
> tried to do, IDL messes up my terminal window...
> I tried: fp=popen('idl > idl.txt','w') but that doesn't do the
> trick, and I couldn't find any startup options which would
> disable the startup message....

The hint about redirecting standard error as well will work; on the other hand, maybe you should look into using the "Callable IDL" feature present from v4.0 on up. Get the "IDL Advanced Development Guide" from RSI for instructions in how to use it. One advantage of Callable IDL is you won't need to use temporary files to retrieve IDL output back into your program; you access the variables directly.

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