
Subject: Re: HELP adding entries to MAN_PROC
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In article <107906@netnews.upenn.edu> mark@ginger.biophys.upenn.edu (Mark Elliott) writes:

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> DOES ANYONE KNOW HOW TO ADD ENTRIES TO IDL'S ON LINE HELP PROGRAM,
MAN_PROC?
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> We have a created a directory \$IDL/ourlib containing IDL programs used
> by our group. I would like to add the DOC_LIBRARY descriptions of these files to
> MAN_PROC. I have determined that MAN_PROC calls MP_WIDGETS, which scans the
> \$IDL/help directory for "*.help" files. Each ".help" file generates a category
> of help topics in the widget. The format of these files is clear, but not trivial
> to generate.
> Is there a program in the IDL distribution which scans a directory and
> constructs a ".help" file? This appears to be all I would need to add descriptions
> of our "home-made" programs to the HELP widget.
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> Any response greatly appreciated.

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Try mk_library_help:

EXAMPLE:

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IDL> mk_library_help, !DIR+'lib/userlib',!DIR+'help/test.help'
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IDL> ?
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You will now have description of all procedures in the subdir userlib
on the button 'test'.

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