Subject: Re: astronomy library
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On 24 juin, 01:47, elliottetzk...@gmail.com wrote:
> On Saturday, June 23, 2012 6:37:17 PM UTC-5, (unknown) wrote:
>> On Saturday, June 23, 2012 5:55:54 PM UTC-4, elliott...@gmail.com wrote:
>>> Does anybody have a very user friendly tutorial for installing the astronomy library for IDL? I tried the one on nasa's site but I couldn't figure some of the parts out, particularly the path.
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>>> Thank you!
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>> You just need to download the file: astron.dir.tar.gz fromhttp://idlastro.gsfc.nasa.gov/ftp/.
 You'll need to just put this files in your IDL_PATH. I only know how to do this if you're using Linux or Mac OSX, if it's windows then you're on your own.
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>> Once the files are in your path, start a fresh xterm (okay, the only way, but a safe way) to reset the path. Then start idl, and type "astrolib" to initialize a few system variables and be able to use all the procedures.
>
>> russell
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> I do not understand how to put thing in the IDL_PATH in windows. If anybody knows that would be awesome.

The IDL Workbench allows you to interactively change the value of the
IDL_PATH system preference using the "Window > Preferences" dialog
(see the documentation). In exactly the same way, while using Windows
or *nix.

If you do not use the IDL workbench (i.e. you are using the "IDL
Command Line"), the best way for changing your !PATH variable is to
use PREF_* commands (PREF_GET to see your preferences, PREF_SET to set
them, PREF_COMMIT for doing the actual changes). Here too, this is
exactly the same way while using Windows or *nix.

All this is clearly explained in IDL documentation ("IDL concepts >
Managing IDL Paths")

Cheers,
alx.