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Subject: Re: IDLnetURL Object Not Loading  
Posted by [ben.bighair](#) on Tue, 26 Jun 2012 22:09:52 GMT  
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On Tuesday, June 26, 2012 4:45:52 PM UTC-4, Coyote wrote:

> Folks,  
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> I have written a pretty slick little lidar browser to work with Mabel data. One nice feature of the browser is that it uses the Google Static Map API interface to request, download, and display a Google map of the area underneath the lidar track. You can get various types of Google maps, but the Terrain and Satellite maps give us the best idea of what the lidar track is going over.  
>  
> I obtain the Google map by building a URL and sending it over the Internet with the IDLnetURL object. This works extremely well, and is surprisingly fast. (Well, it takes about as long to display a regular map in the function graphics system.) Unfortunately, it is this IDLnetURL object that is giving me trouble.  
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> On our LINUX system, running IDL 8.0.1, I get a message that the IDL\_URL dynamically linked object can't be loaded. This seems to be caused by a missing(or misplaced?) curl function. Does anyone know if this is a known problem in this version of IDL? Or, doesn't anyone know if there is anything I can do on the LINUX side of things to fix the problem?  
>  
> Our idea is to make this Lidar Browser available to the public. But, I need to solve this last problem before we do so. Thanks for any help you can give.  
>  
> Cheers,  
>  
> David

Hi,

I don't about the IDL side of things, but you could try to find curl yourself.

\$ which curl

Here's what it looks like on a CentOS install we have here...

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[btt@geneusapp01 orig]$ which curl
/usr/local/bin/curl
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If it isn't found then it could be a environment path problem or it's possible that you need to install curl. It's easy - you send this link

<http://curl.haxx.se/>

to your system administrator and magically it appears a short while later.

Cheers,  
Ben

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