
Subject: IDL command line access from inside a widget?

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I have a widget program that I'm running that displays some data and allows the user some interaction.

If I want to allow the user access to the command line so they can use the rest of IDL to explore the data, what is the best possible way?

I've set NO_BLOCK on the XMANAGER but that puts me back at the MAIN without access to the variables I've loaded inside my procedure.

Is there a way to get back to the command line and have access to the variables I've already loaded?

Is the answer to spawn an instance of IDL at the end of my widget procedure that runs a specified script to give me the variables I want?

On a side note, is it possible to spawn a new xterminal, open idl in it and run a script, all from within IDL? I've spawned the xterminal but can't get idl to load in it.

Thanks for the help.
