On Wednesday, October 16, 2013 6:08:51 AM UTC-6, Fabien wrote:
> Hi IDLers,
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> I want to write a clipboard copy/paste function with IDL on Linux
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> systems. This is really straightforward with xclip. I just need to know
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> if the system I am working on has xclip installed. Based on
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> cgHasImageMagick, I could do:
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> IDL> Spawn, 'xclip -version', result, error_result
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> But xclip returns the version in the STDERR stream:
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> IDL> print, result
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> IDL> print, error_result
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> xclip version 0.12 Copyright (C) 2001-2008 Kim Saunders et al.
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> Distributed under the terms of the GNU GPL
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> This ok for me, but how to be sure that this is the case on all linux
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> systems?
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> Is there a "more general way" to do this?
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> Thanks a lot,
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> Fabien

Hi Fabien,
If you are just looking to copy/paste text (not images or files), and you can wait until IDL 8.3, we are adding routines to provide access to the system clipboard (text only) on all platforms.
Cheers,
Chris
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