
Subject: Re: IDL_IDLBridge, spawn, and sftp, oh my!
Posted by [Helder Marchetto](#) on Thu, 06 Feb 2014 07:49:55 GMT
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On Thursday, February 6, 2014 8:27:58 AM UTC+1, Helder wrote:

> On Thursday, February 6, 2014 5:46:05 AM UTC+1, Gianguido Cianci wrote:

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>> Hi all,

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>> I am trying use IDL_IDLBridge to run a batch file containing spawn command that uses sftp to retrieve a file. If there is a more direct way, I would love to know. I'm on MacOSX and the sftp server is linux. and I'm using ssh public keys so i don't have to enter the password every time.

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>> The issue is that while the file is sftp'ing, I'd like to do other things...

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>> so an idl_idlBridge object->Execute with a /nowait seems like a good idea. Here is the code:

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>> :::::::::::begin code

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>> file='myfile' ;<-generated on the fly actually

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>> oBridge = OBJ_NEW('IDL_IDLBridge')
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>> cmd2 = "scp server.internet.com:"+file+" ."
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>> openw,lun, 'dummy.pro', /get_lun
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>> printf,lun,'spawn, '"+cmd2+"'"
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>> close, lun
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>> obridge->execute, "@dummy.pro", /nowait
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>> while oBridge->status() ne 0 do wait, 0.1 ;check that oBridge is done every .1s
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>> ;now that oBridge (and the three COMMAND lines) are done, proceed...
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>> .....end code
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>> so the file dummy.pro is created and contains:
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>> spawn, "scp server.internet.com:file ."
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>> I can run it with @ at the IDL> prompt, but the IDL_IDLBridge won't run it.
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>> any ideas on how to make this work? or even better on how to do this better?
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>> Many thanks,
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> Hi Guido,
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> just a guess: it might be that idl_idlbridge is looking for @dummy.pro in the wrong directory. Try
to check that (maybe with pwd).
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> Regards,
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> Helder

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Hi Guido,
to debug, try running something like this:

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oBridge = OBJ_NEW('IDL_IDLBridge', output='E:\OutputLocation\out.txt')
obridge->execute, "pwd"
obj_destroy, obridge

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Then have a look at the file.

I then created a file named LaunchPwd.pro with a single line in it, containing pwd.
By running the file from the "wrong" location:

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oBridge = OBJ_NEW('IDL_IDLBridge', output='E:\OutputLocation\out.txt')
obridge->execute, "@LaunchPwd"
obj_destroy, obridge

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I get this:
% Error opening file. File: LaunchPwd

But with:

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oBridge = OBJ_NEW('IDL_IDLBridge', output='E:\OutputLocation\out.txt')
obridge->execute, "cd, 'OutputLocation\'

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obridge->execute, "@LaunchPwd"  
obj_destroy, obridge
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I get:

% Compiled module: PWD.

E:\Elmitec\IDL\MySoftware\DynTP

So I would only guess that you have a path related problem. But that is just a guess. In general the keyword Output is your friend in finding out what happend.

Ciao,
Helder
