## Subject: Re: SPAWN background command without nohup? Posted by lecacheux.alain on Mon, 30 Jun 2014 09:34:13 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

On Saturday, June 28, 2014 5:27:48 PM UTC+2, David Grier wrote: > Dear Folks, > > Using SPAWN to start a background process on unix-like systems > > can leave the process running even after the IDL process terminates. > I'd like to arrange things so that the child process is killed when IDL exits. > > Here's a schematic example: > > IDL> spawn, 'myprocess &', pid=pid IDL> print, pid 62417 > IDL> exit > > \$ ps | grep 62417 62417 0.0 0.1 2473856 12320 ?? S 10:41AM 0:00.02 myprocess grier > > > This is similar to running a shell command with nohup: \$ nohup myprocess & > \$ exit > > Is there a way to make IDL spawn a child process that terminates when > > the parent IDL session terminates?

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> All the best,
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> David
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You might try to keep your spawned process synchronized with the parent IDL session : maybe by using the UNIT keyword? Just a guess, I have no experience with unix. alx.