
Subject: Re: Copy file to all subfolders

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Den onsdag 13 maj 2015 kl. 09:04:18 UTC+2 skrev Kai Heckel:

> Am Dienstag, 12. Mai 2015 16:57:05 UTC+2 schrieb David Fanning:

>> Kai Heckel writes:

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>>> Yep I tried the FILE_COPY function but it didn't work...

>>> e.g. I tried this line:

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>>> FILE_COPY, DIALOG_PICKFILE(Title='Select file: '), file_dirs

>>>

>>> -> file_dirs is a variable that contains all subfolders

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>> Yeah, the documentation is probably leading you astray. I'd use it in a

>> loop. Mats will show you how now that he is in the right frame of

>> reference. ;-)

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>> Cheers,

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>> David

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>> Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.idlcoyote.com/>

>> Sepore ma de ni thue. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

>

> So I tried this:

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> FOR i=0, N_ELEMENTS(file_dirs)-1 do

> spawn, 'cp ', 'myfile', file_dirs[i]

> ENDFOR

>

> ...somehow this won't work. This maybe an absolute newbie thing but I acutally am new to IDL and programming in general. ;)

The spawn command wants a single string so you should concatenate the parts of the command you want to execute. Also, if myfile is a variable containing the file name, it should not be in quotes.

Doing something like this in the loop makes it easier to see that you get the command string right:

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cmd= 'cp ' + myfile + ' ' + file_dirs[i]
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print, cmd
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spawn,cmd
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