
Subject: Re: TRICKY TASK USING AWK

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Hello,

On 02/29/16 10:57, Sapna Mishra wrote:

> Hello,

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> I am using this part of IDL

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> for i=1,c do begin

> fnameo[i]='tmp'

> cmd ='awk -v var="\$i" "{print \$var}" ' + fname[i] + ' > ' + fnameo[i]

> spawn, cmd

> endfor

>

> where tmp is a new file i want to create, it is showing error fnameo[i] not exist.

> Where I am wrong???

I'm not an awk user so forgive the silly question, but what is the awk command above supposed to do?

It seems pretty simple (despite my lack of awknowledge) - isn't there an IDL way of doing what you want and skip using SPAWN altogether?

cheers,

paulv
