
Subject: Call_external under Solaris
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Greetings!

I have been attempting to use call_external in IDL 3.6.1a.
RPC's would be more useful, but I understand there is a bug.

In order to test the call_external routine I have (1) created
very simple examples of my own, and (2) run the examples in the
\$IDL_DIR/misc/dynamic_link directory (with modification for Solaris)
and in each case I get the same error. Here is an example from
running make_callex_demo test_ftn_only in (2):

```
% Compiled module: FTN_ONLY.  
% CALL_EXTERNAL: Error loading sharable executable.  
      Symbol: ftn_only_, File = /derf1/afl/idl/dynamic_link/ftn_only.so  
      ld.so.1: /usr/local/lib/idl_3.6.1/bin.solaris2/idl: fatal: relocation error: symbol not found:  
      __fp_class:  
      referenced in /derf1/afl/idl/dynamic_link/ftn_only.so  
% Execution halted at FTN_ONLY <ftn_only.pro( 141)> (CALL_EXTERNAL).  
%      Called from $MAIN$ .
```

For some reason the symbol is not found. I ran nm on ftn_only.so and sure enough
the symbol exists. I use ld -G -o ftn_only.so ftn_only_sun.o under Solaris.
Has anyone else had difficulty with call_external under Solaris?

Thanks for your help.

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