
Subject: Write_sylk

Posted by [Wayne](#) on Tue, 04 Mar 2008 21:45:16 GMT

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Hi,

I have just spent a half day surfing the www for sylk format definitions, and related stuff.

I routinely modify write_sylk for headers, etc, but all on a single worksheet.

My problem is that I need to write out results from a program which will be used by non computer experts.

The data have several large arrays, and organizing it just cries out for multiple worksheets.

I would like to write out Excel readable files, but the write_sylk format just does not support multiple worksheets.

At least I cannot find it anywhere.

Is there another format which would allow me to write a file from IDL which would read into Excel as a spreadsheet with multiple worksheets??

That is, one which would not have me load tons of libraries, learn other languages, require extra software on the user's machine, or access lots of windows components. :)

Thanks,

Wayne

Subject: Re: Write_sylk

Posted by [Jean H.](#) on Tue, 04 Mar 2008 23:07:04 GMT

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Wayne wrote:

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Hi,

from a quick look at Excel output options, you can try xml... it allows to save multiple sheet... I don't know about formulas, colors etc!

Jean

Subject: Re: Write_sylk

Posted by [Wayne](#) on Fri, 21 Mar 2008 14:34:35 GMT

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On Mar 4, 4:07 pm, Jean H <jghas...@DELTHIS.ucalgary.ANDTHIS.ca>
wrote:

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Thanks Jean,

Apparently I need to learn the xml objects in IDL. However, that
stuff is so obtuse, Greek seems easier to work with!

Wayne
