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Posted by [Jean H.](#) on Wed, 16 Jul 2008 20:12:16 GMT

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Posted by [Juggernaut](#) on Wed, 16 Jul 2008 20:24:14 GMT

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Excellent. Thanks Jean. I seem to forget about spawn and what it can
do.

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Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Wed, 16 Jul 2008 21:25:56 GMT

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IDL> stat = Imgr(Imhostid=mac)

IDL> print, mac

0123456789ab

This is usually the mac address.

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