
Subject: Re: Something Has Changed

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 16 Jul 2008 20:03:14 GMT

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By the way, I am not unhappy that it has changed, as the old behavior caused me untold hours of grief, but I was expecting grief today and got none. I was totally confused. :-(

Cheers,

David

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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 16 Jul 2008 20:17:51 GMT

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Well, if the "pro" file is missing, the "sav" file is used instead. Maybe this is how this always worked, and I just misunderstood it. But, somehow, I don't think so.

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Subject: Re: Something Has Changed
Posted by [Ryan](#). on Wed, 16 Jul 2008 21:04:02 GMT
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Hi David,

In my version 6.4 of IDL it compiles the "junk.pro" file and runs it.
It must be a new to IDL 7.

Ryan.

David Fanning wrote:

> Folks,
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> I usually teach in my IDL Programming courses that if you
> are at the IDL command line and you type "junk" that
> IDL goes looking through the IDL PATH for a file "junk.sav",
> then failing to find that, "junk.pro".
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> In the former case, IDL would restore the already compiled
> routine, whereas in the latter case, it would have to
> compile the file.
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