Subject: Re: Read\_grib under IDL 7.0

Posted by prm on Wed, 05 Nov 2008 08:47:04 GMT

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Hello, Ray

In short, your problem seems that IDL does not find the correct file. You are not alone!

As far as I know (for I am a newbie and I have only used IDL from version 7.0) path management is radically different - at least inside Eclipse. For this reason I use a simple procedure in each project to cd into the project directory and to ensure that the current path is where I know it is. I then reference each file to compile relative to this known location.

I hope this helps...

Pablo Rodríguez

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On 5 nov, 05:12, ray.laymon...@gmail.com wrote:
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Subject: Re: Read\_grib under IDL 7.0
Posted by David Fanning on Wed, 05 Nov 2008 12:57:19 GMT
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## ray.laymon064@gmail.com writes:

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Oh, dear. It always amazes me what contortions people go through to run IDL programs. Believe me when I say running RESOLVE\_ROUTINE is \*never\* necessary. (At least I've never used it in 20+ years of IDL programming.)

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This is simply an IDL path problem. Here is what to do. Right click on all of your IDL projects under IDL 7 and under Properties -> IDL Project Properties turn off the button that offers to "Update IDL path when project is opened or closed".

When you have gotten IDL out of the business of thinking for you, find the Preferences button and go to IDL Preferences-> Paths and start to enter the directories where you keep your IDL files. These could be files in your projects, or just IDL files (such as the READ\_GRIB) files that you just want to have available to you.

That's it. That's all you have to do. All of those programs should now be found without having to do one more single thing! (Sometimes you have to rearrange the directories in your path, if you have files with the same name, etc. But rearranging your path to put your directories before IDL's is about all I've ever found necessary.)

Cheers,

David

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Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: http://www.dfanning.com/
Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

Subject: Re: Read\_grib under IDL 7.0
Posted by Andrew Cool on Thu, 06 Nov 2008 02:01:16 GMT
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On Nov 5, 2:12 pm, ray.laymon...@gmail.com wrote:

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Andrew

Subject: Re: Read\_grib under IDL 7.0
Posted by ray.laymon064 on Thu, 06 Nov 2008 16:41:42 GMT
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under /usr/local/itt/idl/bin/bin.linux.x86 (running under linux)... at first I also thought about these two files, but still didn't work. One thing I learned is I really didn't need the resolve\_routine commend (thx David).

Actually I also copied all necessary grib scripts under the working directory.

Library path looks fine. I copied the necessary .dlm & .so files.. I don't

understand why I can read the files under v6.3 but still not under v7.0..

Thanks all,

Ray