
Subject: Tips for IDL-istic file transfer...? Please help me.
Posted by [Harry Kim](#) on Mon, 10 May 2010 08:55:47 GMT
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Can someone get me out of this stupidity? Please let me know an IDL-istic solution for this problem.

Thanks.

Harry

Subject: Re: Tips for IDL-istic file transfer...? Please help me.
Posted by [Wout De Nolf](#) on Wed, 12 May 2010 11:28:28 GMT
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On Wed, 12 May 2010 13:23:23 +0200, Wox <spam@nomail.com> wrote:

> Mind the double "\\" in the stregex input. Also "200[7]" can just be
> written "2007". The square brackets indicate a range (e.g. from 0 to
> 8). Since you one have one number, you can omit the range
>
>

On second thought, when you have only one year, you can omit the stregex. This was only necessary to extract the years 2000 till 2008 from all 200? years (i.e. omitting 2009)

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```
source=file_search('D:\MODIS11\Data\MYD11A1.005\2007.???.??\' , '*.*')  
path='D:\MODIS11\Data\MYD11A1.005\2007'
```

```
file_mkdir,path
file_move,source,path+file_basename(source)
end
```

Subject: Re: Tips for IDL-istic file transfer...? Please help me.
Posted by [Paul Van Delst\[1\]](#) on Wed, 12 May 2010 21:00:55 GMT
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The question's been answered, but IDL isn't the ideal (pun intended :o) tool here... IMO at least. What about:

```
#!/bin/sh
old_dirs=`ls -d 20??.*`
new_dir="2000-2008"
test -d ${new_dir} || mkdir ${new_dir}
for dir in ${old_dirs}; do
  mv ${dir}/* ${new_dir}
done
```

in regular old shell??

Disregard if you're a windows user of course....

cheers,

paulv
