
Subject: SAVE

Posted by [fgg](#) on Thu, 13 May 2010 20:05:44 GMT

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Hi there,

I'm running a procedure that has lines in it such as:

```
(Scope_VarFetch('data', LEVEL=1, /ENTER)) = 1
```

... that are used to save variables to the main IDL level. I'd like to add a line at the end of this procedure to make it save all variables that were created in a *.sav file. Something like this:

```
save, /variables, filename= '/Users/xxx/Desktop/example.sav'
```

... but it's not working. I'm getting in the *.sav file all other variables defined in the procedure, but the ones created using Scope_VarFetch. Any suggestions?

PS: if I run the procedure first (without the save line in it) and then type the save line at the IDL prompt I get exactly what I want. Just wanted to know if it's possible to automate this process.

Thank you!

Subject: Re: SAVE

Posted by [jeanh](#) on Fri, 14 May 2010 22:53:33 GMT

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Jean

Subject: Re: SAVE

Posted by [fgg](#) on Mon, 17 May 2010 18:49:27 GMT

On May 14, 3:53 pm, jean h
<jghasb...@DELETETHIS.environmentalmodelers.ANDTHIS.com> wrote:
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IDL> xxx, a=a2, b=b2
```

Thank you.

Subject: Re: SAVE
Posted by [jean h](#) on Tue, 18 May 2010 12:44:00 GMT
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?

Jean

PS: the true advantage of keywords is that they can be omitted
