
Subject: Re: running IDL on a linux command line
Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Fri, 12 Oct 2012 19:12:56 GMT
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On 10/12/12 10:49 AM, mkmvarma@gmail.com wrote:

> Hello, I am trying to use a IDL on a different machine. I logged on
> to the other machine using putty and type in 'idl'. But I don't know
> how to write or compile the program using linux based command line.
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> I have been using IDL on my windows computer so don't have any idea
> how to run or compile or edit the programs. I had used 'idlde' on a
> different server before but not on a command line. Thanks, Mahesh

I would suggest using a simple console editor on the server such as emacs or vi. I usually have multiple terminals windows logged into the remote machine -- one for an editor, one for an IDL command line, one for a system command line, etc. I believe it is possible to use X (I think even if you're local machine is on Windows, but there is extra software you need) to run the IDL Workbench and have it show up on your local machine, but my experience is that is a very slow and frustrating experience.

Mike

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Subject: Re: running IDL on a linux command line
Posted by [DavidF\[1\]](#) on Fri, 12 Oct 2012 19:47:21 GMT
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On Friday, October 12, 2012 1:12:58 PM UTC-6, Mike Galloy wrote:

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whereas this poor Windows machine only has 6 GByte of RAM). I like the IDLDE because I configure it exactly like my Windows IDLDE and I don't have to think about anything except my work.

I didn't find doing this particular operation frustrating (someone else had installed the vncserver software on the UNIX side) or slow. If fact, so far, it is working great!

Cheers,

David

Subject: Re: running IDL on a linux command line
Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Fri, 12 Oct 2012 20:12:43 GMT
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On 10/12/12 1:47 PM, Coyote wrote:

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Ah, yes, VNC probably provides a better experience than X.

Of course, I am biased against the Workbench -- I use the command line 95% even on my local machine.

Mike

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Subject: Re: running IDL on a linux command line
Posted by [mkmvarma](#) on Fri, 18 Jan 2013 03:24:27 GMT
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I tried to run IDL using command line. It just compiles the program but does not run it. Does anybody know how to fix this. I use ".run" to run the program.

On Friday, October 12, 2012 1:12:44 PM UTC-7, Mike Galloy wrote:

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