
Subject: pointer to function

Posted by [Moritz Fischer](#) on Thu, 12 Sep 2013 06:20:35 GMT

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Hi All,

Is there any way to implement something like a pointer to a function (as in C)?

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t = execute( 'value = '+ user_written_func +'( argument )' )
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And a related question:

How can I compile a file that is *not* named as the function it contains without a dot command (= at runtime)?

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Any suggestions are appreciated!

cheers

Subject: Re: pointer to function

Posted by [Lajos Foldy](#) on Thu, 12 Sep 2013 08:26:47 GMT

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On Thursday, September 12, 2013 8:20:35 AM UTC+2, Moritz Fischer wrote:

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Use the CALL_* routines, CALL_FUNCTION, CALL_PROCEDURE or CALL_METHOD.

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http://cow.physics.wisc.edu/~craigm/idl/down/file_compile.pro (the filename must end with .pro)

regards,
Lajos
