
Subject: Re: spawning to my dir, not IDL dir !DIR
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T Bowers (tbowers@nrlssc.navy.mil) writes:

> I'm trying to
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> spawn, ".\apps\myapp .\data\mydata.dat"
>
> to use relative paths from my apps base dir so I don't have to
> string together possibly huge command strings with complete
> path names which could conceivably create a string longer than
> DOS will allow (128 chars I believe).
> How do I make it so that spawn spawns to any dir I want?

I would try changing the working IDL directory to the
directory you want to use before issuing the Spawn command:

```
CD, Current=thisDirectory  
CD, './myapps/data'  
Spawn, 'myprograms'  
CD, thisDirectory
```

Cheers,

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