
Subject: Re: opening IDL files in NT

Posted by [Phillip & Suzanne](#) on Mon, 29 Jun 1998 07:00:00 GMT

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Lisa;

Was IDL still running when you checked for this option? Maybe if IDL was not running, it would work.

Phillip

Subject: Re: opening IDL files in NT

Posted by [davidf](#) on Mon, 29 Jun 1998 07:00:00 GMT

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Lisa Bryan (lbryan@arete-az.com) writes:

> I'm running IDL 5.1 on WIN_NT. When I have an open IDL session, I'd
> like to open a '.pro' file from Windows Explorer NT without opening
> another IDL session. Under the Folder Options -- Edit File Type
> dialog box in Explorer, the 'Browse in Same Window' option is
> desensitized so I can't toggle it. According to HELP this is the
> option I need. My system administrator suggested it was an IDL
> 'feature' and told me he couldn't help me. I am constantly needing to
> open files I have found through the Explorer FIND tool and not being
> able to do through that window is extremely aggravating. Thanks in
> advance for the help.

I have no problem at all opening a file with the Explorer on my Windows NT 4 machine. If I have the IDLDE open and I click a file with my Explorer browser (or from the Find tool from within the Explorer, the file immediately appears in an IDLDE editor window.

I've looked everywhere on both my Explorer and my IDLDE environment, and I can't find the "Folder Options -- Edit File Type" dialog box you talk about. Are you sure you are using IDL 5.1? Earlier versions of IDL did open a new IDLDE each time a file was opened by the Explorer.

Cheers,

David

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