Subject: IDL memory question
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Hi everyone,

maybe it is a trivial question, but solving the following will help me a
lot!

Suppose I define a very big array, for instance a=fltarr(8000,8000).
When I finish using it, I can make memory free by assigning to it a
scalar value (for example a=0.), as also suggested in the IDL
documentation.

Even if this operation make the required memory free for my IDL
application, it does not make memory free for other applicstions running
onmy machine. That is, other machine users cannot use the memory I have
allocated untill I exit IDL.

Does any of you have a solution for that? Is it an IDL configuration
problem or is there any IDL command I can use?

Thanks in advance,
    Eugenio