
Subject: Re: IDL falls to sleep!

Posted by [davidf](#) on Fri, 30 Apr 1999 07:00:00 GMT

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Terje Fredvik (tfredvik@astro.uio.no) writes:

- > One of my programs is generating large data arrays which is saved
- > to file using the ordinary "save, [filename], [variable]" command.
- > The program has worked excellent, but yesterday something strange
- > started to happen; after saving a few arrays IDL went into sleep
- > mode (according to the UNIX "top" command) after writing 4 bytes
- > to file. Nothing happened (I waited several minutes), and IDL
- > did not respond to ctrl-c, but had to be brutally killed. I
- > started IDL once more, but the same problem showed up once again;
- > IDL fell to sleep when saving (not the same file as last time!).
- > I repeated this several times, but every time with the same result.
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- > Is this a problem caused by my code, by IDL or my UNIX alpha station?

This problem reminds me of a...well, (heh, heh) *personal* problem I've been having lately. I think it's caused by old age and too many programming cycles. I'd recommend a new product by Pfizer called...

Oh! It's the *computer* that's falling asleep!?

Oh, never mind. Perhaps you should upgrade to a younger version of IDL. :-)

Cheers,

David

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