
Subject: Re: Memory Leaks

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David (pharoh@ihug.com.au) writes:

- > I'm new to IDL and have just started going through the IDL Programming
- > Techniques book (David W. Fanning).

Oh, good on ya, mate!

- > In unix you are able to use bcheck to check for memory leaks. I was
- > wondering is there a program
- > that has similar abilities as bcheck but for windows, that can check for
- > memory leaks in IDL.

I'm not really familiar with bcheck, but I do know searching for memory leakage in IDL can be a bit of a trick. Most of the time we resort to judiciously placed HELP calls with the MEMORY and/or HEAP keywords set.

Although I've always found the most effective way of finding not only memory leakage errors, but **any** programming errors, is to publish your program on your web page. You will get a full report in about 3 seconds and you won't even have to go cross-eyed looking through all your code. :-)

Cheers,

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