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Subject: Command input window in Windows: why only one line?

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Dear all,

I have been using IDL for Unix for some years now and I recently had to move to the Windows version.

I find one irritating feature in IDL for Windows, relative to the Unix and Linux versions: it is not possible to paste multiple lines of code into IDL! It is only possible to do it one line at a time (the clipboard may have multiple lines, but IDL only runs the first one).

I know that this may not be the cleanest way of testing/building/running programs, but I find that copying and pasting parts of programs into the IDL window (and running them, even with loops!) is a very efficient and flexible way of doing tests! I can run bits and pieces of various programs, without having to create a special procedure, compiling, etc. A simple copy+paste does the same work much faster (but I do things properly when the "bits and pieces" are working the way I want).

Am I the only one who works this way and thinks that RSI should allow multiple code line pasting in their Windows version?!! Is there a way to get around it?

Thanks,

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