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Subject: Re: Strange memory problem

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rkj@dukebar.crml.uab.edu (R. Kyle Justice) wrote:

<...>

> Actually I should have given my real problem rather than a  
> simplified version of it. Acutally I have two big arrays of  
> equal size and I am trying to copy one into the other:

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> temp1(\*)=temp2

<...>

The best way I know of to do this sort of thing (in IDL) is to use  
array-insertion starting offsets.

e.g., If you have 2-dimensional arrays and you want to copy one on top  
of another, do: TEMP1(0,0)=TEMP2.

This is much, \*much\* more efficient than using '\*'. It also converts  
what it copies to the datatype of TEMP1 if necessary.

This issue goes back a long way, so I'd expect the "solution" to work  
on PV-Wave as well.

Cheers

Peter Mason

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