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Subject: Re: IDL Memory Management  
Posted by [wbiagiot](#) on Fri, 07 Jan 2000 08:00:00 GMT  
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In article <onso0brt0c.fsf@cow.physics.wisc.edu>,  
craigmnet@cow.physics.wisc.edu wrote:

>  
> If you do a lot of creating and destroying of IDL  
> variables, especially with big variables, you can end up with a lot of  
> unused \*HOLES\* in memory, and unfortunately holey memory can't be  
> returned to the system. Windows may or may not be different in this  
> respect.  
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Craig,

Out of curiosity, are you saying that these memory "holes" are never  
reused by UNIX or IDL? (i.e. every time you enter an IDL subroutine,  
create an array, leave the subroutine (destroying the array), that it  
acts like a memory leak?)

BTW, I am a Windows user.

-Bill B.

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