
Subject: Re: More on IDL and MacX
Posted by [bowman](#) on Fri, 20 May 1994 17:34:12 GMT
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In article <tonym.1119836470A@llyene.jpl.nasa.gov>,
tonym@lurleen.jpl.nasa.gov (Tony Mannucci) wrote:

>
> We seem to be having more success using a terminal emulator
> (e.g. Versa-Term PRO) to start IDL and using MacX to receive
> the X-window commands only. That is, don't log on using MacX
> but have it running. After logging on, set the DISPLAY env.
> variable to the ethernet address of your computer with :0.0

You're not the only one having problems with IDL and MacX. If I can
successfully get an IDL session started under MacX, it will continue to
work. Unfortunately, it usually takes me several tries through the
following procedure:

1. Start VersaTerm Pro
2. Start MacX
3. Start IDL from VT Pro
4. Try to open X-window from IDL
5. Did it work?

Yes --> Don't quit IDL!

No --> Quit MacX. Goto 2.

When it fails to open an X-window, it kill all my other X clients as well.
When it fails it generates:

```
csrp>idl
```

```
IDL. Version 3.5.1 (AIX ibmr2).
```

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```
Installation number: 4229.
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```
IDL> help, /device
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```
Available graphics_devices: CGM HP LJ NULL PCL PS REGIS TEK X Z
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Current graphics device: X
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XIO: fatal IO error 73 (Connection reset by peer) on X server
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```
"bowman.tamu.edu:
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0.0"
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after 111 requests (107 known processed) with 7 events remaining.
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I have reported this to RSI (some time ago), but have gotten no response.
It may be a MacX problem. I am considering going back to MacX 1.1.7, if I

can find a copy.

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