I have not been using it for the simple reason: I never found it. Now I
will, and I would like the bug fixed, too.

Thanks,
Pavel

Mark Fardal wrote:
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> Hi,
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> The .SKIP command doesn't behave quite the way I would prefer.
> It doesn't behave as advertised either, although for a different reason.
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> What it is supposed to do is to skip one statement, or N statements if
> you give it an argument N, and then execute 1 statement. I would
> prefer that it not execute that one statement. It seems silly--after
> all, you are usually just going to type .continue--and who's to say
> that you won't decide to skip the next statement too. Besides, it's
> not called .skip-and-execute-one. The usual argument about preserving
> backwards code compatability don't apply here, since .SKIP can't be
> invoked from a program.
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> But anyway, what it actually does when you type IDL> .SKIP [N]
> is to skip N statements, and then execute N statements.   Oops.
> This is with IDL 5.2.1L on Debian linux.
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> Before I submit a bug report, I thought I would ask whether people
> would like the feature change suggested above as well as the bug fix.
> Or are people emotionally attached to the current behavior?
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> thanks,
> Mark
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> PS: here's a simple example to demonstrate the behavior:
>
> pro junk
> print, 'line 2'
> print, 'line 3'
> print, 'line 4'
> print, 'line 5'
> print, 'line 6'
> print, 'line 7'
> print, 'line 8'
> print, 'line 9'

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> print, 'line 10'
> end
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