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Craig Markwardt wrote:

\*cough\*

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IDL> print, double('5.4.1') gt 5.4
0
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So I guess what you really mean that in 95% of cases you don't care about the (possible) last digit on the version number. This is fine, just say so. Here's a good example of when that last digit matters, from the "What's New in IDL 5.2.1":

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I like your even simpler string compare method, but this one just doesn't work as advertised.

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