Subject: Re: IDL crashing badly on my solaris 8 system Posted by Liam E. Gumley on Mon, 30 Jul 2001 19:04:53 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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Jonathan Joseph wrote:
> On 2000/11/07 Peter Clinch wrote:
>>> Has anyone had any problems with IDL 5.4 stability?
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>> Just installed it. Looked in the What's New book, and XVOLUME and XROI
>> look like useful thingies, so I fire them up with the example code in
>> the book, and after several pages of font errors IDL crashes out with a
>> core dump. Hey ho...
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>> Waiting for RSI to get back to me, will probably nudge them later
>> today. So far, not a Big Win!
>> That's on Solaris 8/SPARC on an Ultra 30.
> I couldn't find any posted solution to peter's problem.
> I am seeing what may be a similar problem. While I haven't
> personally seen a bunch of font errors printed out, one of
> our student's has - probably the way I caused the crash caused
> the window to be obscured so I could not read the errors.
> I could not check for errors afterwards, because the crash
> not only kills IDL, but it kills the whole CDE session.
>
 I can cause this crash easily and consistently by firing up
 the IDL demo:
 IDL> demo
>
> Then clicking on the "visualization" button then clicking on
 the "flythrough" button. A big mostly blank window pops up, then
> shortly thereafter, my CDE session terminates.
  Here's my system info.
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> # uname -a
> SunOS cayman 5.8 Generic 108528-08 sun4u sparc SUNW,Sun-Blade-1000
> Can anyone offer any suggestions?
Get in touch with RSI tech support:
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I think a patch is required from Sun to fix a problem with Solaris.

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Cheers, Liam. Practical IDL Programming http://www.gumley.com/