Subject: Re: Any fix for IDL + MacX?

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This problem has been discussed many times. Maybe it should be added to the FAQs?

If you want to continue to use MacX, you have to "upgrade" from release 2.0 to release 1.17. Unfortunately, release 1.17 has a known bug and quirk of its own.

Bug: The Edit Command dialog box (in the Remote menu) doesn't work properly in 1.17; you cannot set or change the host. You will therefore have to create the remote commands using release 1.20.

Quirk: To display in color, you have to use the suffix :0.2 instead of :0.0 on the end of the DISPLAY environment variable on the remote machine (or after the -display option on the remote command). MacX 1.17 emulates a binary (1-bit) display if you use the suffix :0.0.

The bug and the quirk are easily worked around. I routinely use MacX 1.17 on my Centris 650 to run idl on a remote Sparc10.

I was able to get a copy of MaxX 1.17 for free from Apple by calling their customer service number (800-767-2775), explaining the problem, and sending them some proof that I had purchased MacX 1.20.

Good Luck.

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