
Subject: Re: [Offtopic] Re: Strange problem

Posted by [Bhautik Jitendra Josh](#) on Fri, 07 Dec 2001 14:28:10 GMT

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> Sorry, but I've really needed a good laugh for a while, and this thread has
> provided it. It has even made for some amusing lunch-time conversation.
> But all good things must come to an end. Besides, pulling the wings off
> flies is not sporting. I should be ashamed.

fly: 0o0 (fly is extremely happy)

fly w/o wings: 0 'o' 0 (the little ' stand for little fly tears.
 the little fly is depressed because he
 (or she, lets not discriminate) has no
 more wings, and feels that they no
 longer serve any meaningful purpose)

Mr. Hester - in all seriousness (really, I've got my serious face on now,
look, I'm not even smirking), IDL is a useful, and more importantly,
accessible tool that enables people from all walks of life, even those
without a computer science background, to use computers for scientific
data analysis.

However, there are many users that still need to learn many things about
scientific computing and am I not wrong in thinking that this is the
perfect place to do it? This newsgroup is about (as far as I can tell)
learning how to use IDL and perform scientific computing, and not to
villify those who do not know it.

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