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Subject: Re: differences idl5.5 and idl5.6

Posted by [Dick Jackson](#) on Wed, 19 Feb 2003 15:54:54 GMT

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"Reimar Bauer" <R.Bauer@fz-juelich.de> wrote in message  
news:3E539FE4.4000801@fz-juelich.de...

> Hi,

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> today I found a difference in handling infite numbers by the new  
version.

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> IDL 5.6

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> IDL> a=1./0 &print,a,fix(a)

>       Inf -32768

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> IDL 5.5

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> IDL> a=1./0 &print,a,fix(a)

>       Inf     0

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> So I can't say which is right both results are terrible.

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> Now it is totally clear that this case must be tested.

I don't see any change in behaviour on Windows 2000 Pro; in 5.4, 5.5 and  
5.6, I get these identical results:

IDL> a=1./0 &print,a,fix(a)

      Inf     0

% Program caused arithmetic error: Floating divide by 0

% Program caused arithmetic error: Floating illegal operand

Cheers,

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-Dick

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