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Subject: Re: common blocks

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 09 Jun 2004 19:35:19 GMT

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lyubo writes:

> Is there a way to free the dynamic memory allocated to a Common Block at  
> run-time?

It appears to me from a couple of simple tests that variables in common blocks behave identically to variables anywhere else in IDL. That is to say, you aren't \*ever\* going to "free" dynamic memory. But you can do intelligent things with variables (e.g., UNDEFINE them) so that the memory you have already allocated to the IDL process can be used as efficiently as possible.

Cheers,

David

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