Subject: Re: System Variables & .sav files
Posted by David Fanning on Mon, 26 Jul 2004 21:11:41 GMT

HyperJiver writes:

> 1) Do system variables have to be declared in a different way if I
> intend to run a stand alone application?

I don't use system variables normally, but I don't
think so. I can't think of a reason why it *would*
be so.

> 2) Is there a different way to save the .sav file[I used
> save,/routines, filename = "somefile.sav"] to have the system variable
> definitions to be legal?

No, this is the only way to do it.

> 3) Has anyone here encountered similar problems and have a solution to
> it?

How, exactly, is the user setting these system variables?
Is there some kind of user interaction with a widget program?
Is it possible that program is a blocking widget, rather than
a modal widget, and it is running through its block and returning
a value before the user has actually entered something? That seems
more likely, to me.

Remember, in run-time IDL there is no command line to
block, so no blocking is ever done unless you specifically
request it (I.e., by making the widget modal).

Cheers,

David
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