Subject: Re: IDL on Windows vs. Unix, debugging consideration Posted by Mark Hadfield on Sun, 08 Aug 2004 22:26:07 GMT

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Ben Panter wrote:
> R.G. Stockwell wrote:
>> You do know that in windows it is Control-Break, not control-C right?
>> I assume you meant that. I find that it often stops when you ask it to,
>> under windows. However a tight loop will ignore you. Perhaps a
>> wait command deep in the loop, with the smalles wait possible would help
>> [in a debuggin situation].
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>
 I've used the following to stop runaway code in the IDLDE...
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> # press the "break" button (which gets ignored)
> # attempt to close the IDLDE environment
> # reply "no"
> It then appears to process the break command *before* it restarts the
> program. This method has worked for me a number of times, although no
> guarantee is offered!
Clever!
If you know beforehand that your code might run away and you want to put
in an interruptible point (as distinct from a break point) the following
will do nicely:
  void = widget event(/NOWAIT)
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