
Subject: Re: Mac Program Support
Posted by [Haje Korth](#) on Fri, 26 Aug 2005 12:31:22 GMT
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David,
so you are an IDL 1.0 user, too. I was still in high school when I had my first experience with that version on the VAX. However, it seems that you proceeded on the IDL learning curve a lot quicker than I did...
Anyway, with the introduction of the `.full_session_reset` in I believe 5.0 (?), I pretty much scrapped `retall`, because `.f` is just quicker to type than `retall`, and most of the time it is also less keystrokes than getting 'retall' back from the command line buffer. So, why do I still need `retall`?

Cheers,
Haje

"David Fanning" <davidf@dfanning.com> wrote in message
news:MPG.1d781dcfcc165945989a5b@news.frii.com...

> JD Smith writes:

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>> One of the joys of the active command line.

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> I've been doing this a LONG time, but today I saw
> this on a PC, too. What in the world have I been
> paying attention to!? RETALL has *never* failed me,
> ever! I feel like I'm in some kind of time warp... :-(

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> Here is another thing today that surprised me. Two people
> in the class have new Mac laptops. I have a little program,
> `PickColorName`, that displays 96 small draw widgets and fills
> them with a color with `Polyfill`. Colors appears instantaneously
> on a Windows PC. But on the Macs (both of them) the draw widgets
> appear all in black, then a second or so later the colors appear.
> It is VERY slow.

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> I was shocked, really. I hear so much about how Macs are
> perfect for graphics applications, but this looked more like
> the VAX VMS workstations I learned IDL on 20 years ago.
> Any ideas about why this happens? One of the Mac users
> told me it is common with some of her applications, too.

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> Cheers,

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> David

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