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Subject: Re: IDL\_IDLBridge in Virtual Machine  
Posted by [Pete Warner](#) on Thu, 27 Jul 2006 13:59:27 GMT  
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Thanks for clearing that up. Last night I did what I should have before asking, and tried to run the IDL Bridge demo at home on a computer with only the VM installed. It didn't work at all.

codepod@gmail.com wrote:

> Mark Hadfield wrote:  
>> Mark Hadfield wrote:  
>>> Pete Warner wrote:  
>>>> I would like to know whether or not the IDL\_IDLBridge object is useful  
>>>> for VM programs. The program I am working on will be used by people  
>>>> with only the VM, and it would be very nice to do some computations in  
>>>> the background.  
>>>  
>>> This has already been discussed on the group. See:  
>>>  
>>> <http://tinyurl.com/zwpuc>  
>>  
>> Sorry, that URL is not quite as helpful as I thought. But the way I read  
>> message 23 in the thread is that the IDL\_IDLBridge object is supported  
>> in the VM, but its Execute method is not. This was written by "CP", a  
>> pseudonymous source who sounds pretty authoritative (and has a very cool  
>> email address).  
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>> Hmm ... this implies the IDL\_IDLbridge is pretty much useless in the VM.  
>> You can create a bridge but you can't make it actually execute IDL code.  
>> Perhaps someone more knowledgeable than me can confirm?  
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> Mark,  
>  
> Yes, as you suspect, the IDL-IDL Bridge is of no real use in VM mode.  
> If execute was enabled it would be trivial to construct a simple IDL  
> command line, which would allow for "free" IDL command line operations.  
> This is the same reason the standard execute routine is disabled in VM  
> mode also.  
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> Thanks for the comment on the email address. While not my first choice  
> (I normally lurk around the web as codepilot), codepod is a fun 2nd  
> choice.  
>  
> Cheers,  
> -CP

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