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Subject: IDL has problem with X windows on OS X 10.4  
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I recently got the IDL student version and installed it on my MacBook (2 G Intel Core Duo, OS X 10.4.7). The installation was smooth (but I think I left X11 running at the same time). When I first started idl it reported below:

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IDL Student Edition 6.2, Mac OS X (darwin ppc m32). (c) 2005, Research  
Systems, Inc.  
% X windows protocol error: BadRequest (invalid request code or no such  
operation).  
Installation number: 001.  
Licensed for use by: IDL Student Version  
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But I can still plot using X windows. However, after I restarted my computer and try idl again, I don't get the plot but some report saying X windows doesn't work... But I restarted it again and it works normally although still with the same message above (i.e. protocol error ...)

I am wondering what problem could this be... Is this related to Intel processor? since the IDL seems to be built for PPC?

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