
Subject: Re: .sav format

Posted by [Haje Korth](#) on Mon, 05 Feb 2007 23:02:36 GMT

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What I was referring to is Embedded licensing, which is produced if you choose "Licensed IDL sav file" in Project options. You need the development kit license for this (I don't have one so for me the option is greyed out). For example, demo.sav has an embedded IDL license. It will run as long as you want (no demo mode timer) without presence of any IDL license.

Embedded licensing has the advantage that you can provide your customer with a product without them having to buy a runtime license. The runtime license is embedded in the sav file itself together with your code. Hope this makes more sense.

"JD Smith" <jdsmith@as.arizona.edu> wrote in message
news:pan.2007.02.05.20.46.12.386954@as.arizona.edu...

> On Mon, 05 Feb 2007 13:27:47 -0500, Haje Korth wrote:

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>> JD,

>> one reason for guarding the format is obvious. The sav files allow an IDL
>> license to be embedded. If one were to figure out how this is done, one
>> could probably extract that license and inject it into any other sav
>> files.

>> I don't use IDL run time licensing so I don't see much use in this.

>> However

>> such action would clearly illegal and would warrant guarding the format.

>> If

>> the variables were stored in a separate file format than code+license,
>> reverse engineering the variable save files wouldn't be such a delicate
>> issue. My guess is that storing variable data was not the primary reason
>> for

>> creating the sav file format.

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> I don't get it... is there something in the SAV file which enables IDL
> licenses? Not in any SAV file I've ever made. I thought runtime licenses
> were just like normal licenses.

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> JD
