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Subject: IDL windows freeze (on windows)

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Hi all,

Mark Hadfield has several old posts in this newsgroup about a procedure called YIELD that would allow the IDLDE to update its windows (this is specific to IDL run on Windows OS). I can't find his YIELD procedure any more.. The problem I'm encountering is that when running a long, intensive task (a calculation of several hours, for example) if any of the IDL windows are moved or minimized they will no longer update, until the calculation is finished. This can be very annoying if you want to follow the progress of your calculation, for example. Even David Fanning's progressbar widget freezes up when minimized.

I'm currently running with backing store set to RETAIN=1. Does anyone know of a solution to this problem?

thanks,  
Mark

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