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Subject: Problems with IDL on Fedora Core 7

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Hi there folks,

It has been a while since I've subscribed to this group, and since then I've had no major contact with IDL besides installation process and reading the IDL Online Help.

Today I decided to try a few things on IDL and see how it would work. Seems to me that I've a problem.

I've started with the first example of the IDL online help, 'interactivestretch.pro'. It didn't even compile. The CPU usage went thru the roof, and then the kernel killed the process.

The code is the following:

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FUNCTION stretchImage, img, value

;Stretch image by input amount

image = img > value

RETURN, image

end

;---Begin \$MAIN\$ program. -----

;Display the image, solicit threshold value and display new results.

;set up display.

DEVICE, DECOMPOSED = 0, RETAIN = 2

LOADCT, 0

;Access image data and display.

img = READ\_PNG(FILEPATH('mineral.png'), \$  
SUBDIRECTORY = ['examples', 'data'])

dims = SIZE(img, /DIMENSIONS)

WINDOW, 0, XSIZE = dims[0], YSIZE = dims[1]

TVSCL, img

; Ask for a threshold value and stretch image.

READ, threshold, PROMPT='Enter numerical value: '

newImg = stretchImage(threshold, img)

;Display the results.

TVSCL, newImg

END

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I've no idea what happened.

I run Fedora Core 7 on a Pentium4 2.4GHz, 2GB RAM. I had to install a few things and make a few adjustments to my Fedora so I could run IDL.

Thanks, and I'm sorry about any ugly English error.

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