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Subject: Re: Windows command-line: why not?  
Posted by [Haje Korth](#) on Thu, 06 Dec 2007 19:40:13 GMT  
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Vince,  
ITTVIS has heard the demand for a Windows command line version A LOT. I am not sure why it does not exist, whether it was technical difficulties or just historical reasons. From version 1 on vax terminals I remember that the command line was curcial as there was no support for windows guis. The first windows version I remember was v2, which came on two 1.44 inch diskettes. Windows natively supported a gui interface, so there was no need for a command line version. (and people back then were not screaming loud enough i guess).

There may be some good news here. Separating the idl process (idl\_opserver) from the DE may have laid the ground work for allowing a command line version. At least this is what I gathered from comments I received during the tech preview phase.

we will see,  
Haje

"Vince Hradil" <hradilv@yahoo.com> wrote in message  
news:ca12e60e-83ef-4598-8417-45b23a8e8709@v4g2000hsf.googlelegroups.com...  
> Does anyone know the real reason that there is no windows command-  
> line?  
> 1-technical difficulties - I'm not that familiar with the windows api  
> 2-marketing issues - they want everyone to conform to the IDLDE  
> 3-ITT-VIS doesn't perceive a need (maybe they will now)  
> 4-Other?

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