
Subject: Re: Windows command-line: why not?

Posted by [Vince Hradil](#) on Fri, 07 Dec 2007 21:26:32 GMT

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On Dec 7, 3:18 pm, abra...@ittvis.com wrote:

> On Dec 6, 12:40 pm, "Haje Korth" <haje.ko...@nospam.jhuapl.edu> wrote:

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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).

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>> 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.

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>> we will see,

>> Haje

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>> "Vince Hradil" <hrad...@yahoo.com> wrote in message

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>> news:ca12e60e-83ef-4598-8417-45b23a8e8709@v4g2000hsf.googlegr oups.com...

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>>> 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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> If you've been good boys and girls this year, Santa may leave

> something in your stocking.

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> Haje, you surmise correctly. Using the OPS (out-of-process server) to

> separate IDL from the front-end gui, has, indeed, opened up many doors

> of opportunity.

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> Abraham

Woohoo... I've been veeery good. 8^)
