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Subject: Re: Debugging in IDL 7

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Thu, 20 Dec 2007 17:30:15 GMT

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David Fanning writes:

> I'm still suffering from information overload in that  
> damn Debug perspective, but I guess I'll get used to that.

Part of my problem is that I can no longer reliably determine where I am in my files. Maybe this is an IDL 7 bug. (I'm having difficulty discriminating features from bugs now, sorry.)

So, I am debugging a program. I put a breakpoint in my program. I run it. I stop at the breakpoint. I hit the FLock key and put myself in the wrong mode ... No, forget that last step. I \*finally\* get my keyboard in the right configuration and I step through the code using the F6 key.

OK, find the error. Fix it. Remove the breakpoint. And click the little gear-like icon up above, which apparently means "Save and Compile" (I miss my little stack of suns) and I am ready to go.

I get a compile message in the Console, but the little blue arrow that indicates my position in the file is still there. So where am I? Am I at the main IDL level where I think I am? Or am I still inside the file? Why doesn't that blue arrow go away? How can I make it go away?

Just full of questions this morning. :-(

Cheers,

David

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

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