
Subject: Re: IDL 7.0.1 update to improve Analyzing Code performance
Posted by [Paul Van Delst\[1\]](#) on Thu, 27 Dec 2007 17:15:59 GMT
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David Fanning wrote:

> Greg Hennessy writes:

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>> I feel your pain. It took me two days to debug a program where I had

>> if a < b

>> instead of

>> if a lt b

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> But at least at the end of the two days the lesson

> had been seared into your brain so indelibly that you

> will never make the same mistake again.

My cycle on this is about two weeks.

I'll be programming in fortran (where the correct syntax is "a < b") and then switch back to IDL, use the same syntax, and wonder why the hell that particular logical test is *always* true.

Then I kick myself.

Then I go back to fortran coding.

Repeat as necessary.
