Subject: Re: Hate to Bring Up Another Debug "Feature" Posted by Doug Edmundson on Mon, 14 Jan 2008 21:04:16 GMT

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Doug Edmundson wrote:
> David Fanning wrote:
>> Doug Edmundson writes:
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>>> If you hit a breakpoint, the "switch perspective" functionality
>>> should work.
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>> OK, yes it does. But as it happens (you had to see this
>> coming, I'm sure) I don't *want* to switch now. No reason
>> for me to, really. I hit a breakpoint and I just want to
>> step though my code. So I get the prompt, and I answer "no".
>> But that darn (to me, useless) Debug View gets thrown up
>> on top of my editor window anyway in the IDL Perspective.
>> I could live with it if it would just say in the Debug Perspective
>> where I wouldn't have to look at it. I have to take my hands
>> off the keyboard, grab my mouse, and kill it before I can
>> go on.
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>> Is there a way to stop that window from popping up? I
>> don't really see the point of that window, and I *certainly*
>> don't need to see it 100 times during the course of a day
   of work. :-(
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>> Cheers,
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>> David
  The normal behavior of the Eclipse debug model is to show the
> instruction pointer and stack when IDL suspends. I think the main value
 of the debug view is that one gets toolbar buttons for the stepping and
> running commands. Some would like to see some of those commands on the
  command line view's toolbar...
> I just played around with things a bit and had some success in
> preventing the debug dialog from popping up. Go to preferences >
> Run/Debug > Perspectives and change the IDL Application perspective from
> "Debug" to "None". When IDL hits a breakpoint the editor should update
> to show the instruction pointer, but the debug view shouldn't pop up.
> The keyboard accelerators for stepping and whatnot should work. Now for
> the bad news... the change from "Debug" to "None" doesn't stick between
> workbench sessions. I don't know why. I'll update the associated CR
> with this potential workaround and its glitch.
> I'm not sure what the ultimate resolution to this will be, but it's good
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- > to know how people are using the IDL Workbench. Funny, but after I
- > logged the CR about the debug view popping up, someone ran into my
- > office saying how much they love the debug view and that it pops up.
- > ;-) Hopefully there'll be a clean solution for everyone.

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- > Cheers,
- > Doug

Okay, here's a simple solution to prevent the debug view from popping up when a breakpoint is hit:

Preferences > Run/Debug > "Activate the debug view when a breakpoint is hit"

Cheers, Doug