Subject: Aquamacs and Terminal workaround
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I'm running IDL 6.4 and 7.0 on OS X Leopard (Intel) and I kept finding that my widgets freeze up when I start IDL from Aquamacs or Terminal. I would usually have problems trying to close a widget.

I put a bug request into ITTVIS, but it doesn't carry much purpose because everything is supposed to happen from Eclipse. In reality, I use Aquamacs and IDL for quick alterations on the road or when I cannot connect to the license server. I also use Aquamacs when I want to debug DLMs or run GNU debugger.

I've noticed that I can pretty much solve the problem by calling xterm& on startup. I noticed that this happens in Eclipse as well. You can make sure this happens by adding the following line to your IDL_STARTUP file.

spawn, "xterm&"

Cheers,

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