
Subject: pasting into IDL command line: limit at 1024 characters?

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Hi folks,

has anybody noticed that there seem to be
a maximum limit of about 1024 characters that you
can copy into IDL's command line?

I can copy more characters in any other xterm
window I happen to have open, but if IDL is
running, it doesn't like more than 1024 characters
to be pasted into it.

For example, if I try to paste this into the xterm where
IDL is running:

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a='dummy string that is 64 bytes long counting the line break '  
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it stops around the first c=, which is about 1024 bytes worth of data.

Any idea how I can increase the maximum paste size?

I am running IDL on an xterm on Mac OS 10.4.11,

but I remember a similar problem on Linux systems.

There is no problem pasting the test lines above inot other xterm
windows.

Cheers,
Paolo
