Subject: Re: pasting into IDL command line: limit at 1024 characters?
Posted by Brian Larsen on Mon, 03 Mar 2008 19:00:25 GMT

> But, as you say, the problem is peculiar to IDL, not the shell/
> terminal in general.

Just to throw in that every terminal has a maximum, I pulled the
"checking the maximum length of command line arguments" out of a
configure script and find that OSX terminal does have a size limit but
I bet you wont hit it.

[balarsen@LarsenLaptop]~> sh line_length.sh
checking the maximum length of command line arguments
 result: 196608

I am sure that IDL has a limit based on the size of a buffer that is
initialized in the source code for IDL (written in C I guess but don't
know). If I am right on this, one could petition ITT to increase this
buffer for the next release of IDL if this is a issue for folks.

Cheers,

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