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Subject: Re: Widgets - 3.6 -> 4.0 Aaarrgggghh!!  
Posted by [landsman](#) on Sun, 17 Mar 1996 08:00:00 GMT  
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In article <14MAR199619441349@sorbet.gsfc.nasa.gov>, landsman@sorbet.gsfc.nasa.gov (Wayne Landsman (301)-286-3625) writes...

> The function SINCE\_VERSION() below from the IDL Astronomy Library tests  
> whether the current version is later than a specified one. In your case,  
> it would be used as  
> if since\_version('4.0.0') then ....  
>

To followup my own posting, Bill Thompson has pointed out that the use of SINCE\_VERSION() is probably unnecessary since a simple comparison operator seems to do the trick, i.e.,

if !VERSION.RELEASE GE '4.0.0' then ...

This simple comparison seems to always work. even though !VERSION.RELEASE is sometimes 2 characters (e.g. '3.6') and sometimes 4 (e.g. '4.0.1a').

--Wayne Landsman                      landsman@sorbet.gsfc.nasa.gov

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