On Oct 29, 8:34 am, liamgum...@gmail.com wrote:
> On Oct 28, 4:01 pm, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:> Folks,
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>> Maybe you, like me, saw the IDL Virtual Machine as a way
>> to get IDL more noticed by writing IDL applications that
>> you could give away to colleagues, who could download the
>> freely available IDL Virtual Machine to run them. Well,
>> think again.
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> [stuff deleted]
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> David,
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> I've distributed an application which relied on IDL VM, and I was
> surprised to hear about your experience with the latest version. So I
> thought I'd try installing the IDL 7.0 VM on a vanilla Windows XP
> system where IDL had never been installed. The Windows XP installation
> is inside a VMFusion 2.0 Virtual Machine on my MacBook Pro (Leopard).
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> Here's what I had to do.
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> (1) Visitedhttp://ittvis.comand clicked on the Downloads | Product
> Downloads | IDL 7.0
> (2) Registered as a new user (this is pretty common nowdays)
> (3) Got my confirmation email, and clicked the link in the email to go
> to the "Download a Product" page
> (4) Downloaded "IDL & IDL VM 7.0 - Microsoft Windows 32-bit (XP,
> Vista)"; it took a couple of minutes (270 MB)
> (5) Ran the installer, and went with all defaults
> (6) Went back to the Mac side, recompiled my application with IDL 7.0,
> and created a SAVE file
> (7) Went back to the Windows side, double clicked on the new SAVE
> file, and IDL 7.0 VM popped right up
> (8) Used the application as expected
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> So as long as ITTVIS allows the IDL installer to be distributed on a
> CD/DVD, it appears to be fairly straightforward to distribute a
> compiled application. The last time I went through this process about
> a year ago, I recall that IDL and the IDL VM were bundled together in
> the installation package.
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> What were the circumstances of your attempt to install IDL VM?
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> Cheers,

> Liam.
> Practical IDL Programminghttp://www.gumley.com/
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> PS: I'm sorry I missed the IDL User Group Meeting...

Liam, I am glad to hear you were successful at registering and logging into the ITT VIS website. The website does still have some login glitches that may make it difficult to get to the IDL download page. It stems from the recent launched of our new website and some of the backend framework is still in transition. I have alerted our marketing folks to it, so it should improve soon.

In the meantime if you are having difficulty logging in to the ITT VIS website, try this: 1) If you use the remember my login setting, try logging out and navigate to the Product Download page and then login. 2) If you just happen to have already logged in from some page other than the Product Download page, try logging out and navigate to the Product Download page and then login.

I know this is a kludge but it seems to be a workaround for now. And I am flogging the crew to make a proper fix asap. :-) Thanks for your patience.

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