
Subject: IDL Workbench Debugging

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Folks,

I had a good friend and expert IDL programmer visiting me last week. (He prefers to remain nameless for obvious associative reasons.) But, anyway, he was kind enough to introduce me to some of the nuances of the IDL Workbench debugger. In other words, he pointed out the utility of some of those damn windows that I thought were just cluttering up my interface.

I was still a bit skeptical after the tutorial, but I've kept the lessons in mind. Today, I had the chance to investigate a rather large IDL application that I didn't write, and I have to say, I was EXTREMELY impressed with how much help the debugger could give me in moving around some pretty complicated code. I'm in the process of re-evaluating my opinion of the Workbench. Maybe I'll write an article about this soon. :-)

Cheers,

David

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Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming (www.dfanning.com)

Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
