
Subject: Re: Bus error in IDL 6.3 on Mac OS X
Posted by [ben.bighair](#) on Mon, 16 Feb 2009 13:12:46 GMT
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On Feb 15, 7:55 pm, Raul <rmjuber...@gmail.com> wrote:

> Hello,
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> I am currently using IDL6.2 on a Mac OSX 10.4.11 and for long I have
> been using programs with the tv command without problems, but now when
> I try to run them, IDL crashes and exits with a "bus error". I looked
> on Google for some info about this and I came across a website
> describing "Bus error in IDL 6.3 on Mac OS X". After reading it I
> checked the issue of my display variable. I only have one monitor and
> the display variable is :0.0 (and I am still using IDL 6.2)
>
> This behavior started on friday (2/13/09) after I installed the
> following software updates:
> - Java for Mac OS X 10.4, Release 8 v1.0
> - Security Update 2009-001 (PowerPC) v1.0
>
> Could these updates have change something affecting my IDL6.2
> installation? Has somebody else experience this? Does anybody knows if
> there is a easy way to fix this?

Hi,

I think this tip from David Fanning's ever-useful site might be helpful.

<http://www.dfanning.com/tips/maccrash.html>

The syntax of the display variable seemed (to me) to be very tricky for IDL 6.3. I have the same OS and IDL version as you and things work fine. My display variable looks like...

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setenv DISPLAY :0
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Cheers,
Ben
