Subject: Re: Why did IDL just start crashing Posted by Dave L on Thu, 26 Feb 2009 00:18:55 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message On Feb 25, 3:28 pm, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote: > Dave L writes: >> I'm running IDL 7.0 on Windows XP with 3gb ram. I've had no problems >> for the 5 months I've been using IDL on this computer, then today >> idlde.exe crashed while I was just writing some code. Now it just >> starts up and crashes immediately. I've reinstalled IDL and it's >> still crashing. >> Anyone have some idea of what's happening? > > I would guess whatever it is it probably has > little or nothing to do with IDL, which would explain why a re-install of IDL wouldn't help. > > Do you have automatic updates turned on for this > machine? Have you updated a JAVA distribution, > perhaps automatically? Did you update a graphics > driver? Have you installed any other software in > the past few days? Do you have a firewall installed > on this machine to protect against viruses? Does > other software (MatLab, R, etc.) still work? > > Exactly when does IDL crash? Before it even gets > started? When you open a graphics window? You > have given us too few clues. > If it helps at all, I've been running IDL 7 on a Windows XP > machine with 4GByte of RAM for well over three years with not a single problem. :-) > > Cheers, > David P.S. This isn't a student machine filled with pirated movies, is it? > > David Fanning, Ph.D.

This is my office computer, and I keep all my pirated stuff at home.

> Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming (www.dfanning.com) > Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

There was an XP automatic update that I installed this morning, but after removing it IDL is still crashing. I haven't made any other changes, updates, or added software in the last few weeks. MatLab and every other program works fine and the firewall and virus protection are on and haven't found anything.

IDL starts up and begins analyzing code, then crashes within about 5 seconds. This is the first problem I've had with IDL.

This is the Error Signature I get (I have yet to decipher what, if anything, it means)

EventType: BEX P1: idlde.exe P2: 0.0.0.0 P3:

46437674

P4: idl_bml.dll P5: 7.0.0.0 P6: 47214e8c P7:

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P8: c0000409 P9: 00000000