On May 21, 12:39 pm, Christopher Thom <ct...@oddjob.uchicago.edu>
wrote:
> Quoth cakswen...@gmail.com:
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>> Like I said, I have XQuartz installed, I just didn't know if it could
>> coexist with the original Apple X11.....For the record, IDL is using
>> XQuartz (the XQuartz icon pops up when I use IDL when physically sitting
>> at the computer) and I have the most recent version installed (installed
>> after the update to 10.5.7). I guess something could have been reset or
>> modified during that update, maybe it isn't the apple update but rather
>> the XQuartz update causing the problems. Obviously X11 forwarding is
>> still allowed otherwise I couldn't run xterm or xclock. Could IDL be
>> looking in the wrong place for X and that's why I can open X windows
>> from the terminal but not from inside IDL? I'm relatively new to IDL
>> (only been using it for a couple of months) so I'm not sure how to
>> investigate IDL specific problems.
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> XQuartz must be reinstalled after every OSX system update. It does not
> coexist, but replaces the official release. Also, the official X11 release
> with OSX will overwrite any changes made by installing XQuartz.
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> The official OSX release of X11 occasionally picks up changes from the
> XQuartz project, but on a slower timeline...so an OSX system update will
> sometimes *downgrade* your X11 system.
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> cheers
> chris

I said that I updated the XQuartz after updating to 10.5.7, so
anything that was 'downgraded' was subsequently upgraded.

As a further note, if I ssh into my coworkers machine, which is
running an older version of XQuartz, then IDL works fine. I'm going
to try downgrading XQuartz and see what happens.