
Subject: workbench stops responding

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I'm getting some strange behavior in 7.1 Running the program, PRINT commands stop displaying to the Command window. After the program terminates, the lines all get printed, but typing commands into the command line produces no effect and I have to quit the workbench and start it back up.

It happens when I read a large file with readcol (about a thousand lines with format 'd, f, f') The problem shows up when I enter a "CASE" loop.

```
pro stuckprint
compile_opt idl2
infile=dialog_pickfile()
readcol,infile,jd,mag,err, /silent, format='d,f,f'
print, "this line"
print,"Another line"
pp=""
repeat begin
    Print, "type a command, q to quit"
    read, pp, prompt="what?"
    print, "you typed ", pp
endrep until pp eq 'q'
print, "it's all over"
end
```

readcol is in the astronomy library by W. Landsman

It runs fine in IDL 6.3.

And everything is fine is I make up 100 data points.

Thanks
