
Subject: Re: Minor bug in 4.0.1 for Win95
Posted by [Tim Patterson](#) on Fri, 30 Aug 1996 07:00:00 GMT
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David P. Steele wrote:

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>
> In article <brian.jackel.77.001B3BC3@uwo.ca>, brian.jackel@uwo.caJ says...
>>
>> Purely by accident, I found out a one line way to
>> crash IDL Version 4.0.1 (Win32 x86) running under
>> Windows 95. Just type
>>
>> PRINTF,0
>>
>> and it goes boom. Yes, I know it's not a valid use
>> of PRINTF, but the equally stupid PRINTF,1
>> just returns a nice error message.
>>
>> Can anyone reproduce this on other platforms?
>>
>>           Brian Jackel
>
> Sure enough, it gives an "Unhandled Exception" error message under Windows for
> Workgroups 3.11.
>
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On a digital unix alpha with idl 4.0.1b:

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IDL> printf,1
% PRINTF: File unit is not open: 1.
% Execution halted at: $MAIN$
IDL> printf,0
IDL>
```

So no crash, but no error message either.

Also,

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IDL> printf,-1
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```
IDL> printf,-2
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```
IDL> printf,-3
% PRINTF: File unit is not within allowed range: -3.
% Execution halted at: $MAIN$
IDL>
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Wonder what file units -1 and -2 are?

Tim
