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Subject: Re: idlwave segfault

Posted by [JDS](#) on Tue, 12 Jan 2010 19:34:53 GMT

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On Jan 12, 10:23 am, Bruce Bowler <[bbow...@bigelow.org](mailto:bbow...@bigelow.org)> wrote:

> On Mon, 11 Jan 2010 10:12:24 -0800, pp wrote:

>> On Jan 11, 4:02 pm, Bruce Bowler <[bbow...@bigelow.org](mailto:bbow...@bigelow.org)> wrote:

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>>> No ideas?

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>> Only the trivial: You did not explicitly say whether the segfault only

>> occurs when using IDL from Emacs. Did you check that IDL works when you

>> call IDL alone, directly from the command line? To make sure it is just

>> an idlwave problem, and not an idl problem.

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> You are correct, I didn't explicitly state that I tried that.

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> I did try (and succeed) in launching and using IDL from a shell prompt so

> it appears to me that it's strictly an idlwave problem, not a more

> generic IDL issue.

There are various reasons why this test isn't conclusive. One of the main problems has to do with the environment present in the Emacs session vs. your shell. I've seen segfaults in IDL based on incorrectly set DISPLAY parameters, and other things. Launch emacs from the shell with `emacs -q` to skip your `.emacs` init file, and see if that changes anything.

JD

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