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Subject: Re: Fragile IDL 8 Object Programs  
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Mon, 25 Oct 2010 15:53:44 GMT  
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Paulo Penteadó writes:

- > Fragile in what sense? Besides the on\_error issue, which is not
- > specific to objects, I have not noticed any such difference when
- > debugging, either with object or non-object programs, preexisting or
- > new, using Catalyst or not.

Fragile in the sense that when one of my object programs crashes (there are usually widgets involved), and I fix the problem and re-compile and re-run, quite often, but not always, IDL simply freezes and refuses to do anything at all. I need to kill it, which takes on the order of a minute or two, and re-start it in order to proceed.

It is possible there are left-over graphical widgets on the display when I re-compile. Most of the time I am not aware of this because I can't get the darn things to pop forward on my display, and I usually have multiple applications open on both monitors, so my graphics windows are almost always hidden. I spend about half the day trying to find the damn things!

Cheers,

David

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

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