Subject: Re: IDL 8.0.1 crashes
Posted by lecacheux.alain on Thu, 06 Jan 2011 16:21:34 GMT

On 6 jan, 16:55, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:
> vto writes:
>> It looks like most people here use PCs. I'm running
>> IDL on a Mac and it looks like it is slightly more stable.
>> I had IDL 8.0 running for a month, using it daily,
>> before it crashed.
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> The happy people appear to be running IDL 8 on Linux
> machines. :-)
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> This goes in karmic cycles. For Windows users this
> is payback for having a decent IDE in the days before
> JAVA, when the Linux crowd had to use that ugly
> monstrosity that turned your editing window into
> grotesque blocks of weird colors.
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> Probably in IDL 9 the Mac users will be ascendant. :-)
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> Cheers,
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> David
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> P.S. Let's just say if we hang around long enough,
> we will ALL get what we want. ;-)
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> Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

I experienced a few crashes by using IDL8 and Windows 7 (both 32 and
64). But no so frequent, maybe one per week in daily utilisation.
always after some using time, with many edit/run/edit cycles.
Sure that IDL8's Workbench is much more fragile than IDL7's one. Maybe
related to the new garbage collector for IDL objects ?
Anyhow, I guess that Eclipse is crashing then, rather than IDL: you
can get some info from java log files (filenames are like
hs_err_pidxxxx.log). Sometimes, the faulting module is "idl.dll", but
you can find others, likely related to error messaging in java.
Not really confortable, since you loose everything from your most
recent IDL work...
alx.