Subject: Re: IDL 8.0.1 crashes
Posted by penteado on Thu, 06 Jan 2011 16:10:06 GMT

On Jan 6, 1:55 pm, 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. :-)

That is payback for the installation, which is easy in Windows, but
frequently troublesome in Linux (and from what others have told me,
also difficult in Macs). Though I have to admit that it has improved a
lot in recent versions (in Fedora, at least).

There are also the issues with the license server, which likes to die
occasionally for no apparent reason. Which is especially troublesome
when the license server is running in some department computer, and
one cannot do anything until the administrator restarts the server
there. The license server also likes to pick fights with the license
servers of other software that use similar systems (such as the PGI
compilers).