Subject: Re: idl plot window disappearances
Posted by R.G.Stockwell on Wed, 24 Aug 2011 02:05:19 GMT
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> "David Fanning"  wrote in message
> news:MPG.28bddc7d625698a5989967@news.giganews.com...
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> R.G. Stockwell writes:
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>>>  This command does nothing. But, if I do this:
>>>
>>>    xcolors
>>>    wshow
>>>
>>>  The window 0 pops forward!! This works about
>>>  25% of the time and for God only knows what
>>>  reason. :-)
>>
>> I have done this a couple of times (in an existing IDL session) but what
>> I
>> see is that I can create the window, then put "another app" in front of
>> it,
>> then select the IDLDE to type wshow, then wshow will bring that "other
>> app"
>> to the front.
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> Oh, yeah, I forgot to mention that 25% of the time
> some other application comes to the front when you
> type WShow!!

I suspect it is a specific and predictable application that is being brought
up.

Bring the IDLDE up front.   Hit alt-tab and hold it down (keep the alt key
pressed), so you have the little box showing you the icons of all the active
programs.   Then, while keeping the alt key down, hit esc to cancel the
alt-tab window.  That will show you the order of all the windows that exist.
This random app, is always the one in the second spot, assuming IDLDE is the
first spot.  Then, type wshow (IDLDE is still active) and bammo,  the IDL
gets moved to the spot of window0, and what was in the second spot (in the
alt-tab window) is the new application.

That is the error in wshow.  it is moving the current window to the
idlwindow0 position (and it should do it the other way around, move the
idlwindow0 position to the current window position). maybe :)

cheers,
bob

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