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Subject: Re: Is IDL 8.1 Useable?  
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Thu, 08 Sep 2011 17:07:13 GMT  
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Paul van Delst writes:

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> Let me now try it in the Workbench:  
>  
> IDL> p = randomn(rien, 1024L*1024)  
> IDL> t=systime(1) & plot, p, PSYM=3 & print,'DG elaps:',systime(1)-t  
> DG elaps: 0.95030618  
> IDL> t=systime(1) & q=plot(p, LINESTYLE=6, SYMBOL='dot') & print,'NG elaps:',systime(1)-t  
> % Loaded DLM: XML.  
> % IDLITWINDOW::ONEXPOSE: Failure to acquire window rendering context.  
> % Unable to acquire device context.  
> % Execution halted at: $MAIN$  
>  
> Oh boy! (wipes tears from eyes.... :o)  
>  
> <shake attribute="fist" target="monitor">  
> I'll give you a rendering context....  
> </shake>
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Please let me know if you hear of any big sale of  
1970s-era computers and software!

Cheers,

David

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

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