
Subject: Re: IDL 8.1 is a Piece of Work

Posted by [BLesht](#) on Wed, 19 Oct 2011 15:40:23 GMT

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Ditto that - also random hangs that require a forced quit on a Mac.
8.0 runs the same code with no problem. Sigh...

On Oct 19, 10:06 am, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:

> Folks,
>
> Have I mentioned that IDL 8.1 is a piece of work!?
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> This morning, I have IDL 8.1 running, along with the
> IDL 8.1 on-line help, and a browser. When I type a
> command in the IDL window that is *suppose* to summon
> a widget program to the display, no widget program
> appears. Instead, my browser window is popped to the
> front of my IDL window with what looks like Japanese
> characters in the browser title bar!
>
> For God's sake!!
>
> I mention this now because this weirdness is completely
> reproducible at the moment, unlike other intermittent
> oddities that continue to plague me with this miserable
> excuse for software.
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> Yesterday, for example, as I was developing some
> map projection software, I noticed that about
> every 5th or 6th time I would run the program that
> no graphics window would appear. No errors or anything
> like that. Just no response whatsoever. If I issued
> a Window command, then a window would appear and all
> would act normally until another 5 or 6 minutes would
> pass.
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> Very, very strange and irritating behavior. :-(
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> Cheers,
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> David
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> --
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> Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming:<http://www.idlcoyote.com/>
> Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
