

alx writes:

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> By using IDL 8.1 command line and Windows 7, I can get:
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> after,
> IDL> window, /FREE
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> windows 33,IDL and 32 appear in this order (33 in front)
> IDL> wshow, 32, 1      ;put window 32 in front (then IDL and 33)
> IDL> wshow, 32, 0      ;put window 32 in rear
> IDL> wshow, 33, 1      ;restore 33 in front
> IDL> wshow, 32, /ICONIC ;iconify (ze ?) window 32
> IDL> wshow, 32, 1      ;restore window 32
> etc ...
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> what is broken ?
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Were other applications running while you did this?
I think it must be a problem with application "layering".
In fact, I suspect you wouldn't see the problem at all
if IDL was the only program running that put windows
on the display.

That said, I can't seem to get the IDL command line to
fail to bring the proper window forward on the display,
even with multiple applications running.

But, I do note that the beauty of the WShow command
in any version of IDL prior to IDL 7.0 was that it
would leave the focus in the command window. This
allowed you to bring a window forward on the display
and still type commands in the command window, allowing
you to see the effect of the command in the window as you
typed, even if your IDL application took up the whole
window space, as it usually does on a laptop.

That hasn't worked since IDL 7 and doesn't work in
IDL 8 either. Even in the command line version.

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Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.idlcoyote.com/>

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