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Subject: Re: IDLDOC 3.4.1 Problem

Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Mon, 12 Dec 2011 22:38:09 GMT

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On 12/7/11 8:13 PM, Michael Galloy wrote:

> On 12/5/11 4:05 PM, David Fanning wrote:

>> Folks (and Mike),

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>> I ran into an unusual problem today. I was running IDL 8.1

>> in front of a client, naturally, and XStretch failed with

>> the message:

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>> % Keyword DIMENSION not allowed in call to: MOMENT

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>> The traceback lead me to the VARIANCE command, and

>> FILE\_WHICH pointed me to the MOMENT program in the

>> IDL 8.1 distribution (where VARIANCE was coming from, too),

>> which upon inspection certainly did have a DIMENSION

>> keyword defined for it.

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>> Say what!?

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>> It turned out that a compiled version of MOMENT was

>> coming from the IDLDOC 3.4.1 save file. I found it

>> with HELP, /SOURCE:

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>> MOMENT C:\IDL\idldoc-3.4\idldoc-3.4.1\idldoc.sav

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>> I'm not sure what to do about this, except do all

>> my documentation work late at night, after work. :-)

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> The problem is that I use RESOLVE\_ALL to build the IDLdoc .sav file from

> IDL 6.4 (for maximum compatibility). This .sav file is only provided as

> a convenient way to bundle all the source files -- you can also get the

> source distribution of IDLdoc which provides all the source code for

> IDLdoc. Since IDLdoc is not intended to run via the IDL VM or Runtime

> environments, the .sav file probably should only include the IDLdoc

> source files and not dependencies from the IDL library.

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> I don't see another way around the issue that if someone on IDL 7.0+

> runs IDLdoc from the .sav file, they will now have a few old IDL library

> routines.

I made a 3.4.2 release to address this issue, grab it from:

<http://idldoc.idldev.com/wiki/Downloads>

Mike

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