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Subject: Re: idl workbench: not working properly (plot, buttons and console)

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suruchi writes:

- > i borrowed idl 7.0 from a friend to test (which was working on his pc).
- > it also have the SAME problem as idl 7.1 in my ubuntu. i.e console is not working.
- > with the change of workspace or recreating it (after deletion) doesn't seem to help.
- > I installed idl 8.1 (available with license server from institute) and it is working fine.
- > I also have idl 6.4 from the institute which is also working fine, except for few features in the preferences menu (like choosing path preferences, they remain grey, could not check/uncheck).
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- > So could not make out what went wrong with idl 7(7.0/7.1).
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- > (I wish, we could have an economic option to purchase latest version of IDL.)

You need to start being a LOT more careful about what you are wishing for!

There is a "secret" directory that gets established when you install IDL 7, named ".idl". You need to find that directory and command it to hell. Then try your IDL 7 installation again. Normally, this is installed in your home directory. If you find a directory named IDLWorkbench7, or something like that, say good riddance to that, too.

Cheers,

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Seppure ma de ni thue. ("Perhaps thos speakest truth.")

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