
Subject: Re: Memory needed for IDL/Linux?
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"Mark Hadfield" <m.hadfield@niwa.cri.nz> writes:

> David Foster <foster@bial1.ucsd.edu> wrote in article
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>> I thought this would be a good time to point out something that
>> really suprised me...IDL 4.0.1 on a Sun under Solaris 2.5 took
>> approximately 7MB of memory when started. IDL 5.0b takes 13MB!!
>> Inflation I guess.

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>> Dave

> I don't want to start a platform war or anything, but I've noticed that IDL
> on Windows NT doesn't use much memory when it starts up - around 3 MB for
> 5.0b. What on earth does IDL use all that memory for on Solaris?

I'm not sure about the situation via Windows NT versus Solaris, but I have noticed this sort of behavior on simple routines that were compiled on different platforms. It may have more to do with the platform's compiler than it does with IDL.

Just my \$0.02 worth,

Bill Thompson
