Subject: Re: debugging with new variables (dictionary, hash, ...) Posted by Helder Marchetto on Wed, 14 Jan 2015 22:35:20 GMT

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I can only offer a "happy birthday". I have no chance to access the code.

I think that the following are the same (at least in my default workbench configuration):

Keyboard = workbench = command line

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F5 = "In" = ???
F6 = "Over" = .SO
F7 = "Out" = .OUT
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There is also the "don't try this at home" option.

While in the dictionary or hash procedure, try what happens when you press Ctrl+Shift+F6 (=Skip). You will generate some "unexpected" errors like:

% SCOPE\_VARFETCH: String expression required in this context: KEY.

Cheers,

Helder

On Wednesday, January 14, 2015 at 11:25:16 PM UTC+1, Jim P wrote:

- > On Wednesday, January 14, 2015 at 3:19:10 PM UTC-7, wlandsman wrote:
- >> You could use the .STEPOVER (.SO) command. ("Unlike .STEP, if .STEPOVER executes a statement that calls another routine, the called routine runs until it ends before control returns to interactive mode.")

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>> Or somewhat more tedious you could use .OUT once you enter into HASH or DICTIONARY to get out in one step.

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>> Now you just have to assign .SO to a key (which I assume can be done but don't know how offhand).

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>> --Wayne

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>> On Wednesday, January 14, 2015 at 5:06:04 PM UTC-5, Helder wrote:

>>> Hi.

>>> I like to debug inserting breakpoints and then I like to use F5 or F6 (step-in and step-over) to go through the code.

>>> If you have some of the new variables in the code, it will be a painful clicking exercise...

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>>> Here is a minimal example, that simulates what happens to me quite often...

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>>> function retValue, inVar1, inVar2

>>> return, {inVar1:inVar1, inVar2:inVar2}

>>> end

>>>

>>> pro testDict

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>>> d = dictionary('var', 5,'new',6)
>>> print, retValue(d.var, d.new); put a breakpoint on this line
>>> end
>>>
>>> Now run testDict and then suppose you would like to go in the function "retValue" by clicking
F5 (step-in). Well, good luck. It's going to take, in this example with two dictionaries, about 93
clicks of F5. Below is the terminal output.
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>>> Is there any chance to see all of this disappear in the future?
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>>> Regards,
>>> Helder
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>>> PS: There are of course ways around this, like putting a new toggle point at the beginning of
the procedure/function being called. However, the behavior does not fit with other IDL functions.
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> There's also a ".out" button that was added to the workbench toolbar in 8.1.

> It would be nice if these classes could be shoved down to C code or the IDL source routines could be exposed instead of being hidden in a .sav file. If anyone can't think of something to get me for my birthday, this would do the trick.

> Jim P.

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