Subject: Re: Sound in IDL

Posted by davidf on Sun, 06 Aug 2000 07:00:00 GMT

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- > Well, that's pretty simple, but why can't even 'beep' (I think it rather
- > sounds like 'bing', anyway) be found in idl's help??!!

This has been the traditional first question on the IDL Expert Programmer's Association entrance exam. It weeds the rift-raft out pretty quickly. If RSI documented it, we would have to come up with a new question, and you know how committees work. We'd be stuck for months. :-(

And, anyway, what would you say about it!? Beep -- makes your computer issue a "bing" sound. There would be nothing but controversy in going that route.

I think we should just leave well enough alone.

Cheers,

David

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Posted by Craig Markwardt on Sun, 06 Aug 2000 07:00:00 GMT

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davidf@dfanning.com (David Fanning) writes:

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>> when a calculation has finishid? I couldn't find any hint in the IDL-help.
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> On UNIX systems you can try this:
>
IDL> Print, String(7B)
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> On PCs, you can try this: IDL> Beep BEEP works on Unix systems too, at least on terminals that have a simulated (or real) bell. Craig Craig B. Markwardt, Ph.D. EMAIL: craigmnet@cow.physics.wisc.edu Astrophysics, IDL, Finance, Derivatives | Remove "net" for better response 

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Posted by Mark Fardal on Sun, 06 Aug 2000 07:00:00 GMT

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davidf@dfanning.com (David Fanning) writes:

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Now, for bonus points, (as if David hasn't racked up enough already), how can this be made to work in emacs IDLWAVE mode?

thanks. Mark Fardal **UMass** 

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On PCs, you can try this:

IDL> Beep

This goes "beep", rather than "bing", of course. But maybe you could get used to it. :-)

Cheers,

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