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Posted by [Sean Raffuse](#) on Fri, 21 Jun 2002 15:12:25 GMT

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thanks for your help,

Sean

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Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Mon, 24 Jun 2002 16:01:21 GMT

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> Sean

Dear Sean,

There are some tools in idl which may help to find what's happen.

Did you know the profiler ?

e.g.  
profiler,/system  
routine  
profiler,/report

If memory isn't increasing did this mean you don't use the swap file  
or are you using it?

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a IDL library at ForschungsZentrum Juelich  
[http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg1/idl\\_icglib/idl\\_lib\\_intro.h\\_tml](http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg1/idl_icglib/idl_lib_intro.h_tml)

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