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Subject: IDL Virtual Machine

Posted by [mannstein](#) on Mon, 20 Sep 2004 21:33:33 GMT

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Hello

is there any idea around, how to avoid, that the Virtual Machine takes a license out from our license server without disconnecting the machine from the net?

I tried it without success by setting the LM\_LICENSE\_FILE to a dummy, but obviously the command `idl -vm=...` found a way to get access to the license pool.

Hermann

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!!!! Please try to avoid .doc attachments !!!!!

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Subject: Re: IDL Virtual Machine

Posted by [btt](#) on Fri, 22 Oct 2004 15:59:18 GMT

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Pepe wrote:

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- > If I make calls to C/C++ code via IDL, does the end user need to have
- > a C/C++ compiler to handle the calls ?
- > Sorry if this is a dumb question, but any help is really welcome.

No such thing as a dumb question.

I'm not sure if this answers your question, but look here...

<http://tinyurl.com/59mom>

Ben

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Subject: Re: IDL Virtual Machine  
Posted by [Rick Towler](#) on Fri, 22 Oct 2004 16:21:44 GMT  
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Not if you provide a pre-compiled library for their platform.

-Rick

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Subject: Re: IDL Virtual Machine  
Posted by [JD Smith](#) on Fri, 22 Oct 2004 21:04:34 GMT  
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JD

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Subject: Re: IDL Virtual Machine  
Posted by [sdj](#) on Mon, 25 Oct 2004 10:08:12 GMT  
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Dear All,

Thanks to everybody, your help has been greatly appreciated.

Regards,  
Pepe

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Pepe S. D. Juevara

- No debe cambiarse de caballo al cruzar el río -  
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Subject: Re: IDL Virtual Machine  
Posted by [Heinz Stege](#) on Sat, 04 Oct 2008 17:31:24 GMT  
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On Fri, 03 Oct 2008 18:50:32 +0200, manu wrote:

> Hello,  
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> I have a big application running on many platform. When a bug appears,  
> it's possible to read the error message under Linux.  
>  
> But, in Windows IDL Virtual Machine, in case of bug, the application  
> crashes sometimes without any message. Do you know if it is possible to  
> trace an IDL application running on Windows XP Virtual Machine ?  
>  
> Thanks,  
>  
> Emmanuel.

You can handle the errors with the CATCH procedure. Place something like the following into the beginning of your code:

```
catch,error_status
if error_status ne 0 then begin ; will be executed on error
  msg=!error_state.msg ; IDL's error message
  ; you can print the error to the log file:
  if !journal ge 1 then journal,',' '+msg
  ; or place an error message on the screen:
  button=dialog_message(msg,title='IDL Virtual Machine',/error)
  ; or do anything else ...
endif
```

Good luck, Heinz

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