
Subject: Re: Upgrade to IDL 6.3 breaks IDLtoAVI
Posted by [Michael Wallace](#) on Mon, 01 May 2006 21:26:42 GMT
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Subject: Re: Upgrade to IDL 6.3 breaks IDLtoAVI
Posted by [mmeron](#) on Mon, 01 May 2006 21:38:07 GMT
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In article <125cv5815rjj993@corp.supernews.com>, Michael Wallace <mwallace.nospam@swri.edu.invalid> writes:

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Mati Meron | "When you argue with a fool,
meron@cars.uchicago.edu | chances are he is doing just the same"

Subject: Re: Upgrade to IDL 6.3 breaks IDLtoAVI
Posted by [Michael Wallace](#) on Mon, 01 May 2006 21:50:08 GMT
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Well, I guess I'm waiting patiently for my copy then...

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Subject: Re: Upgrade to IDL 6.3 breaks IDLtoAVI
Posted by [Mark Hadfield](#) on Mon, 01 May 2006 23:41:32 GMT
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FYI, Oleg's DLLs are at

<http://www.rsinc.com/codebank/search.asp?FID=139>

and were last updated in Jan 2005

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Posted by [Haje Korth](#) on Tue, 02 May 2006 12:11:44 GMT
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Cheers,
Haje

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news:1146526892.583606.266290@j73g2000cwa.googlegroups.com... .

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Subject: Re: Upgrade to IDL 6.3 breaks IDLtoAVI
Posted by [Haje Korth](#) on Tue, 02 May 2006 12:12:30 GMT
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Web site says they started shipping to current customers on 4/24.

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news:125cv5815rjj993@corp.supernews.com...

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Subject: Re: Upgrade to IDL 6.3 breaks IDLtoAVI
Posted by [ronn](#) on Tue, 02 May 2006 13:02:25 GMT
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Hello Everyone,

Thanks for reminding me about having to update this dll for 6.3.

Please go to

<http://www.kilvarock.com/freesoftware/dlms/avi.htm>

to get the IDL6.3 version. I linked this with the beta version since I
haven't received the release one yet. As soon as I do I will double
check to make sure it works.

-Ronn

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Use these books to upgrade your IDL skills.

"Application Development with IDL"

"Calling C from IDL, Using DLM's to extend your IDL code". SECOND EDITION includes C++ and debugging!
"Power Graphics with IDL, A Beginner's Guide to Object Graphics",

Subject: Re: Upgrade to IDL 6.3 breaks IDLtoAVI
Posted by [Chris\[2\]](#) on Tue, 02 May 2006 13:30:42 GMT
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Hi Mark,

In IDL6.3, the "idl32.dll" was renamed to "idl.dll" so that both the 32-bit and the 64-bit Windows would have the same DLL name (same thing for "idl.lib"). This makes it simpler for someone to have a makefile that they can use to compile their own DLL on both 32-bit and 64-bit Windows, and not have to change the IDL library name. This change is documented in the IDL6.3 release notes.

In any case, the entry points have changed enough between IDL6.2 and IDL6.3 that a previously-compiled dll will not work, even if the library names hadn't been changed. So really, someone needs to recompile the avi.dll and link it against IDL6.3.

-Chris

<badjelly.witch@gmail.com> wrote in message
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> I did the same thing I have done for several version upgrades now. I
> copied IDLtoAVI.dll and IDLtoAVI.dlm from IDL62\bin\bin.x86 to
> IDL63\bin\bin.x86, started the new version and tried to run the DLM. I
> got a message about IDL32.dll not being found on the path. I noted that
> there is a copy of IDL32.dll in IDL62\bin\bin.x86 but not in
> IDL62\bin\bin.x86, so I copied that over too, restarted and tried
> again. I didn't seriously expect that this would work, and it didn't:
> IDL gave an error message about a bad entry point and crashed. I
> presume this is related to the introduction of 64-bit Windows.
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Subject: Re: Upgrade to IDL 6.3 breaks IDLtoAVI
Posted by [badjelly.witch](#) on Tue, 02 May 2006 21:46:41 GMT
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Thanks Ronn

I tried out the new 6.3 version. It is not writing AVIs properly. As you know, your test program aviKRtest.pro calls avi_openw with the OPTION keyword set, so that it shows a "Video Compression" dialog for setting the AVI format etc. If I accept the default (Full Frames Uncompressed) then an AVI file is produced, but it is not readable, either by the IDL code later in the routine or by an external application. If I change the AVI format to Microsoft Video 1 (an oldie but a goodie) then I get an error: "AVI_OPENW: Unable to avi stream format".

BTW: at your leisure, perhaps you could clarify the relationship between your DLM and Oleg's DLL and your plans for the DLM. Is there any chance of merging some of Oleg's 2005 improvements into your version? Also, do you intend to keep upgrading your DLM for new versions of IDL. (I presume you do, as you have just done it for 6.3!). And does/could your DLM work with 64-bit Windows? As I have said, I find your DLM extremely useful and am keen to see it continue. I would be willing to pay money to ensure this happens.

BTW 2: receiving new IDL versions Here in NZ *before* everyone else is a new experience. IN the good old days we were weeks behind. They must be feeding the carrier pigeons extra rations!

Mark

Subject: Re: Upgrade to IDL 6.3 breaks IDLtoAVI
Posted by [Mark Hadfield](#) on Tue, 02 May 2006 21:59:58 GMT
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Haje Korth wrote:

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- > your input as well!

Hear hear!

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