
Subject: Re: IDL 6.4 seg-faults when drawing (Solaris-8)
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 04 Dec 2007 16:36:11 GMT
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http://www.dfanning.com/misc_tips/segfault.html

Cheers,

David

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Subject: Re: IDL 6.4 seg-faults when drawing (Solaris-8)
Posted by [JJ](#) on Tue, 04 Dec 2007 16:59:43 GMT
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Thanks David,

ITT wrote back and resolved my problem (very rapidly - thanks ITT).

> I am guessing the segmentation fault is related to the x11 update that
> occurred on Solaris and Linux systems. Have a look at this tech tip
> which has a link to a fix for IDL 6.4:
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> <http://www.ittvis.com/services/techtip.asp?ttid=4195>

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> Although this is specific for Solaris 10 (which is the supported OS),
> it will also likely work on Solaris 8.

-Jonathan

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