
Subject: Re: Nothing to do with IDL
Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Mon, 24 Nov 2008 08:05:29 GMT
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David Fanning schrieb:

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> Cheers,
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Congratulations!

Reimar

Subject: Re: Nothing to do with IDL
Posted by [jschwab@gmail.com](#) on Mon, 24 Nov 2008 14:13:18 GMT
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On Nov 24, 12:19 am, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:

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Usually when I wake up in the morning and read the newsgroup, you only make me feel bad about my IDL skills. Nice to see that you're branching out.

Congratulations,

Subject: Re: Nothing to do with IDL

Posted by [julia.walterspiel](#) on Mon, 24 Nov 2008 14:30:12 GMT

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to cheer you up David:

well assuming you LOST the game (for the sake of all of us, please tell us you're at least bad in playing Tennis!), I'm sure you would be able to write a programm one-handed that reproduces the movements you made across the tennis field - while answering questions in the newsgroup with your other hand - while thinking about your next programm - while making some coffee - while probably programming with your left and your right foot separately on other programs.. so no need to feel bad about losing a simple tennis game

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Posted by [julia.walterspiel](#) on Mon, 24 Nov 2008 14:34:56 GMT

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HA, reading your post again, I can see your achilles' heel now
(spelling, oh beloved spelling)
you didn't lose the game, because I figure "one" EQ "won".....

Subject: Re: Nothing to do with IDL

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Mon, 24 Nov 2008 14:48:49 GMT

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Tennis and IDL programming are remarkably similar in many ways, especially in the way productivity ebbs and flows. Over the years, I've learned to cope and be patient during the lean times, and I've tried to be humble (well, not so much!) when I somehow, inexplicably, find myself in the zone. But, I do cherish those fleeting moments when the self disappears and someone else thinks up that amazing idea for a program or blisters that top-spin backhand down the line for a winner. I'm always surprised and, as I grow older, immensely grateful. I am beginning to realize how rare such a gift is. :-)

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