
Subject: Re: segfaults on ubuntu 9.04
Posted by [Matt\[2\]](#) on Wed, 16 Dec 2009 20:13:16 GMT
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It crashes at the commandline or using the workbench.

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I'm also getting a warning on the commandline when I do the first tv command.

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Thanks
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Subject: Re: segfaults on ubuntu 9.04
Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Thu, 17 Dec 2009 07:57:56 GMT
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If so why not ringing the right bell?

cheers
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Subject: Re: segfaults on ubuntu 9.04
Posted by [Matt\[2\]](#) on Thu, 17 Dec 2009 14:57:32 GMT
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Reimar Bauer <R.Bauer@fz-juelich.de> writes:

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Thanks,
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Subject: Re: segfaults on ubuntu 9.04
Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Thu, 17 Dec 2009 15:51:53 GMT
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savoie@nsidc.org schrieb:

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please report results also here. We can only workaround bugs and real fixes can be done only by them.

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Reimar

Subject: Re: segfaults on ubuntu 9.04
Posted by [Matt\[2\]](#) on Thu, 17 Dec 2009 16:26:48 GMT
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savoie@nsidc.org writes:

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I continue to follow up to my own post, but in case it helps someone else, the solution ITTVIS came up with was to try:

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This apparently works and if it doesn't I'll follow up again. :)

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Subject: Re: segfaults on ubuntu 9.04
Posted by [Karl\[1\]](#) on Thu, 17 Dec 2009 16:54:14 GMT
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On Dec 17, 10:26 am, sav...@nsidc.org wrote:

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Anyway, in Linux, those gl_driver.so libraries use whatever OpenGL libraries and drivers are installed on your Ubuntu installation. The error message suggests a problem with drivers associated with the OpenGL libraries. Therefore, the problem may be outside of IDL and in the graphics drivers installed in the OS.

One direction, which should have been suggested by ITTVIS support, would be to check out your OpenGL drivers with other applications. Try running glxgears, which is shipped in that distro. Glxgears is a simple test program that can be used to see if the OpenGL libs are basically working. Might try googling around for any known problems with OpenGL on your particular distro and hardware (graphics adapter). Look for any driver updates from the graphics card vendor and/or use the Ubuntu package manager to install alternate drivers.

Subject: Re: segfaults on ubuntu 9.04
Posted by [Matt\[2\]](#) on Thu, 17 Dec 2009 17:20:59 GMT
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Karl <karl.w.schultz@gmail.com> writes:

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That could be. I never installed the fglrx hardware graphics drivers for this machine, it didn't work and I gave up since I wasn't noticing any problems with the default drivers. My glxgears only generates ~300 fps.

Matt

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