
Subject: IDL on win7 crashing

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I have started using a code base that requires a batch file to set variables, and start up IDLDE under windows 7.

IDL> help,!version

** Structure !VERSION, 8 tags, length=104, data length=100:

```
ARCH      STRING  'x86_64'
OS        STRING  'Win32'
OS_FAMILY  STRING  'Windows'
OS_NAME    STRING  'Microsoft Windows'
RELEASE    STRING  '8.0'
BUILD_DATE STRING  'Jun 17 2010'
MEMORY_BITS INT     64
FILE_OFFSET_BITS
           INT      64
```

However, for some reason, this causes IDL to crash on startup most of the time (about 80%). IDL has the splash screen come up, then start the progress bar that goes about 20% across, then it is gone - nonresponsive.

The batch file is quite simple, it set's some environment variables, then executes "start idlde".

I can see no material difference in starting IDL in this batch command, or 'normally' from the icon. The same env variables are set, I then execute the same startup routines.

Is this a known problem? any ideas on how to go about fixing it? Does this require a bug report to be filed?

cheers,
bob
