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Posted by [suruchi](#) on Sat, 29 Sep 2012 08:39:04 GMT

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Posted by [Starbuck](#) on Mon, 01 Oct 2012 20:10:33 GMT

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Posted by [suruchi](#) on Wed, 03 Oct 2012 06:26:40 GMT
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Posted by [Starbuck](#) on Tue, 23 Oct 2012 16:15:32 GMT
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There is a "secret" directory that gets established when you install IDL 7, named ".idl". You need to find that directory and command it to hell. Then try your IDL 7 installation again. Normally, this is installed in your home directory. If you find a directory named IDLWorkbench7, or something like that, say good riddance to that, too.

Cheers,

David

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Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.dfanning.com/>
Sepore ma de ni thue. ("Perhaps thos speakest truth.")

Subject: Re: idl workbench: not working properly (plot, buttons and console)

Posted by [Chang Liao](#) on Fri, 07 Dec 2012 20:52:28 GMT

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I have encountered the same problem with you, seemly it has connection with Java or something. I am not quite familiar with Ubuntu as well, so did you fix the error for IDL 8.2 workbench in Ubuntu 12.04?
