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Posted by David Fanning on Tue, 04 Dec 2012 14:51:43 GMT
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I don't think you are alone, no. :-)

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Subject: Re: Some IDL8.2.1 Workbench related problems
Posted by Fabzi on Tue, 04 Dec 2012 15:16:50 GMT
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On 12/04/2012 03:51 PM, David Fanning wrote:
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Posted by David Fanning on Tue, 04 Dec 2012 15:40:02 GMT

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Posted by Fabzi on Tue, 04 Dec 2012 15:49:11 GMT

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Yikes! When I want to do this, I just point my cursor
at the big X in the upper-right corner of the IDL
window. ;-)

I'll see if I can remember to use this later today.

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I don't doubt their usefulness. An EMACS guy in motion is
a wonder to behold! It's just that after 25 years of typing
code, all I can really manage is Cntl-X, Cntl-V. :-(

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Posted by Paul Van Delst[1] on Tue, 04 Dec 2012 16:07:31 GMT
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cheers,

paulv

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I have to admit there is something to this. I spoke to a woman
this morning (phone rang at 6:15 AM!) who had four separate
Workspaces open at the same time and STILL couldn't find her
program!! She had accidentally hit a button (I guess) that
caused some of her "views" to close. She felt like she was
somewhere in the Matrix.

VERY hard to explain what's going on before you have had your coffee!

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Subject: Re: Some IDL8.2.1 Workbench related problems
Posted by Mark Piper on Thu, 06 Dec 2012 18:17:37 GMT

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Hi David,

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This CR is still open, but I'll look into getting it fixed pronto.

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Yeah, I'd forgotten about this trick. Thanks, Mark!

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Subject: Re: Some IDL8.2.1 Workbench related problems
Posted by Jeremy Bailin on Sat, 08 Dec 2012 18:57:47 GMT

On 12/4/12 10:07 AM, Paul van Delst wrote:
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Not just you... I'm a much younger fart, but I couldn't agree more!

-Jeremy.