Subject: Re: dialog_pickfile bug?
Posted by David Fanning on Sat, 04 May 2013 23:59:16 GMT
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superchromix writes:

> I'm running into some weirdness with the dialog_pickfile routine.
>
> When you specify the FILE keyword, only a part of the file name shows
> up in the dialog box when the window opens. For example:
>
> testfile = dialog_pickfile(file='test12345678987654321.txt')
>
> when I execute this command, only a part of the file name:
>
> 78987654321.txt
>
> shows up in the file name input box. The full file name is actually
> there, but you have to use the left arrow key to move the cursor over
> to the left before you can see it.
>
> my system: IDL Version 8.0.1, Microsoft Windows (Win32 x86_64 m64)
>
> has anyone else encountered this?

Every day. :-(

Apparently, it is a Windows OS bug that has never been fixed. Anyway,
the word here is there is nothing the folks at ExelisVis can do to fix
it.

Cheers,

David

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Subject: Re: dialog_pickfile bug?
Posted by markb77 on Sun, 05 May 2013 10:59:23 GMT
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hmm....

It seems that this problem goes away if the /WRITE keyword is specified.....

At least that's a temporary solution, as long as you're writing files.

This would seem to indicate that it's not a Windows bug, however... more likely something to do with IDL?

Perhaps a 5-minute bug fix for ExelisVis ?

cheers,
Mark

Subject: Re: dialog_pickfile bug?
Posted by David Fanning on Sun, 05 May 2013 11:22:55 GMT
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superchromix writes:

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> Perhaps a 5-minute bug fix for ExelisVis ?

You would think so, but here is what happened the last time we discussed
it. (I see you participated in the discussion.)

 *** ********
> On Wednesday, December 12, 2012 8:31:41 AM UTC-7, David Fanning wrote:
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> Good point. But, if you are just looking for stocking
> stuffers, here is a problem that I think might take
> you five minutes to fix (since you do it correctly
> in other parts of the code) that makes it difficult
> to write professional looking interfaces for IDL
> programs. I bring it up because someone asked me
> about it, again, yesterday. I've been reporting the

> problem since IDL 6.4, at least.
>
>   http://www.idlcoyote.com/widget_tips/nameclip.php
>

> Well, bad news David. I spent a day looking at this, and it turns out
> to be a Microsoft Windows vendor bug. Sorry.

> -Chris
> ExelisVIS

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Subject: Re: dialog_pickfile bug?
Posted by markb77 on Sun, 05 May 2013 11:57:09 GMT
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oops. I didn't find that thread when I first searched the group.
sorry.