
Subject: Re: Top 10 for young farts

Posted by [Steve Hartmann](#) on Fri, 04 Aug 2000 07:00:00 GMT

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I agree that emacs is a better editor in most cases. I think the fact that so many people use a third party editor should be a big concern for RSI. The interface is a major part of the software in my opinion, and it's dissapointing that RSI's version is not the best (or even an acceptable) choice for many of us. I do like the new Windows version, which allows the creation of projects. It's similar to MS Visual Studio, which I also use, so it's easy to switch back and forth.

So my point is that I wish IDL's editor was improved to the point we didn't need to use emacs. To me, it's very close, and my biggest complaint is that you can't paste more than one line of code into the command line.

-Steve

On Thu, 03 Aug 2000 19:49:00 -0400, "J.D. Smith"
<jdsmith@astro.cornell.edu> wrote:

> Steve Hartmann wrote:

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>> There are many times I want to copy several lines of code and paste
>> them to the command line. This does not work using IDLDE for Windows -
>> only the first line of code gets copied. Therefore I end up copying
>> line by line (which is tedious) or just re-typing the command.

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>> I'm not sure if this is a problem for "young" or "old" farts, or maybe
>> just my own problem, but I know it has bothered me many times.

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>> -Steve

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> IDLWAVE for emacs: "Run Region". Tremendously useful.

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> JD
