Subject: Re: idlwave help
Posted by Ken Mankoff on Thu, 25 Oct 2001 18:05:29 GMT
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On Thu, 25 Oct 2001, JD Smith wrote:

> Ken Mankoff wrote:
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>> On Thu, 25 Oct 2001, John-David Smith wrote:
>>> Ken Mankoff wrote:
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>>>> I would like to start using completion in the editing buffer, not just the
>>>> shell. I think this is bound to M-TAB (or ESC-TAB). When I hit that, I get
>>>> the following:
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>>> This is all covered in the INSTALL file you'll find in the distribution.
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>> Hi JD,
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>> I had done a custom location install before, as I dont have root
>> priviliges on my main computer. I do on another one, and am now testing
>> this there. I have followed the INSTALL file verbatim, and here is my
>> .emacs:
>>
>> ;(setq load-path (cons "~/local/idlwave-4.9d" load-path))
>> (autoload 'idlwave-mode "idlwave" "IDLWAVE Mode" t)
>> (autoload 'idlwave-shell "idlw-shell" "IDLWAVE Shell" t)
>> (setq auto-mode-alist
>>   (cons '("\\.pro\\'" . idlwave-mode) auto-mode-alist))
>> (setq idlwave-help-directory "/usr/local/etc")
>>
>> If I do this, and emacs a .pro file, it starts in my default major-mode,
>> Text. However, even in text mode, ESC-TAB *does* bring up completions. But
>> obviously, font-lock-mode and other stuff does not work.
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>> Also, the *Messages* buffer has this:
>> File mode specification error: (file-error "Cannot open load file" "idlwave")
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>> If I change my .emacs so that the commented line above is uncommented,
>> then when I edit a file, I get loaded into "IDLWAVE Abbrev Fill" mode,
>> syntax is highlighted, and "C-c,?" brings up help, etc... In short,
>> everything works but the ESC-TAB. If I hit that, it says that 'tags are
>> not loaded'.
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>> The confusing thing is that ~/local/idlwave-4.9d is where I ran
>> % make; su; make install-all
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>> Ideally, I would like to run everything out of ~/local/idlwave, so that I
>> can have the same setup on all my computers, even where i am not root.
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> The problem here is that [ESC-Tab] is actually *not* bound to anything
> by IDLWAVE, but [M-Tab] is, so the former defaults to the standard emacs
> binding. I always use the Meta form, since it's much faster (Meta is
> the same as Alt, for all you PC users), and I encourage you to do the
> same. If you can't, or just want ESC-Tab to work in addition, add
> something to .emacs like:
>
> (add-hook 'idlwave-mode-hook
>   (lambda ()
>   (local-set-key [?\e?\t] 'idlwave-complete)))
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Thank you!

My problem is that Alt-Tab is set up in Linux like it is in Windows: to
cycle windows. Apparently my emacs config is set up correctly (using my
local dir), and all that was required was to bind idlwave-complete to a
new key sequence.

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