
Subject: Excellent IDL Resource on WWW
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Hi one and all,

I happened to be searching the Web for some IDL links, and I discovered an excellent site that I think deserves more than a passing mention. From Australia, Robert Dahni maintains a set of pages for the IDL enthusiast at <http://www.metvis.com.au/idl>

Here's what he has to say about it:

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IDL on the Web has been extensively surveyed to present the most comprehensive and up-to-date collection of links to IDL resources worldwide. They have been organised into a concise set of simply navigable web pages, and feature the most extensive list of publicly available IDL code libraries and applications. These pages will be an invaluable reference for both potential and existing IDL users worldwide. Most importantly, all this information is checked and updated regularly.

The IDL web pages have have been organised into the following sections:

IDL - Interactive Data Language web site overview
What's New - What's new in IDL?
Australia - IDL applications on the web
IDL Help - IDL FAQ, newsgroup, tips and techniques
Commercial - IDL programming and consulting services
IDL Code - Publicly available IDL code libraries and applications
Resources - Global coastlines, land and seafloor topography data sets
IDL Links - IDL web sites

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... and he means it. I was especially impressed with his What's New listings, here's a sample (forgive the formatting):

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David Fanning's IDL Example Programs 18 Nov 2001 UPDATED
Craig Markwardt's Markwardt IDL Programs 18 Nov 2001 UPDATED
Wayne Landsman's The IDL Astronomy User's Library 8 Nov 2001 UPDATED
David Fanning's IDL Programming Tips 1 Nov 2001 UPDATED
Kodak Announces Release of IDL Software Version 5.5 29 Oct 2001 UPDATED

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Thanks, Robert, nice work. Hmmm, I bet Mike Schienle would be happy to hear from you if you want to take over the IDL FAQ!

Full disclosure: I mention this here purely out of public interest. In fact, he's in the consulting business too, so I stand to lose business! :-)

Cheers,

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-Dick

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