Subject: Re: IDL on mandrake 8
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> I'm running Mandrake 8 on a linux box at home, and am trying to get idl
> 5.2 running (it's old because that's what we run at work). So far I've
> figured out that there are library problems, but I'm not sure how to
> solve them. Has anyone else tried to install IDL on a Mandrake linux box
> and got it to work?

Hi Simon,

I've got IDL working on a Redhat 7.1 box (which, as far as I know,
isn't too distantly related to the Mandrake 8 distro) and the only
problems I've had are with X (yay!!) and setting paths. I think you
have to make sure the correct environment variables are set for IDL
(I'll be darned if I can remember them though).

If you are getting all sorts of X compatibility problems, I suggest
you get the latest XFree86 drivers (you can grab them off the aarnet
mirror at http://mirror.aarnet.edu.au/pub/XFree86/ - it should
download ludicrous speed* if you are connected at usyd). I suggest you
use the Xinstall.sh script (dead easy).

If none of this helps - what are the specific library problems? Any
specific error messages?

Cheers,
Bhautik

* 'You have the ring, and I see your Schwartz is as big as mine.'