
Subject: Re: IDL 5.6, MacOSX, IDLWAVE, Xemacs, and suicide
Posted by [dbowman](#) on Thu, 16 Jan 2003 08:39:42 GMT

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Sorry, I had to finish my earlier message in a hurry... Here's the important details - I'm running MacOS X 10.2.3 on a dual G4 tower. I'm using OroborOSX v0.8b. I've very little experience with emacs (and that was 4 years ago), and I think "lisp" is what you do when you've bitten your tongue.

Thanks in advance for any help.
David B. (not Fanning!)

dbowman@fullerton.edu (David Bowman) wrote in message
news:<f1ba8313.0301151825.57c1c5f9@posting.google.com>...

> I've been spending several days trying to get IDL 5.6 and all of the
> ancillary programs up and running on my G4 tower. After much pulling
> of hair and gnashing of teeth, I was able to get it going. Of course,
> I soon discovered that the "new and improved" (HA!) version does not
> include the wonderful (or at least functional) editor that was
> standard in the old Mac Classic version (5.5). After reading through
> the many postings of the wise and learned seers on this newsgroup,
> I've decided that the best option is to install Xemacs and IDLWAVE.
>
> 3 days later, I'm ready to switch to matlab.
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> Can somebody tell me an easy, straightforward way to install a Xemacs
> and idlwave? Please, treat me as the complete moron that I feel like.
> Include things like web sites where the programs can be downloaded.
> I'm sure this would be appreciated by many other stranded Mac IDL
> users.
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> Thanks in advance.
> David
