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Subject: IDL 5.6, MacOSX, IDLWAVE, Xemacs, and suicide  
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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.

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.

Thanks in advance.  
David

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