
Subject: Re: installing IDL

Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Sat, 14 Jun 2003 05:39:06 GMT

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Tapuosi Lotoaniu wrote:

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> Log in as root. Goto where file is located and type
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> gunzip idl_linux.x86.tar.gz
>
> this will unzip your file. Then
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> tar -xvf idl_linux.x86.tar
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All right but if you do

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tar zxvf idl_linux.x86.tar.gz
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both commands are combined in one.

(tar is explained best by info tar at the linux prompt.

If you use KDE you could also try to get help by

ALT+F2 then #tar

ENTER)

You'll find a routine xinstall. This is the install program.

As root you have to type ./xinstall

(If you have setup sudoers you be able to call it with your user account by
sudo ./xinstall)

I am sure there is a readme or install in the tarball too which explains all
necesarry steps.

best regards

Reimar

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> What happens next depends on whether the file is the install binary or
> source codes. If the former then the above command will untar most
> likely just one file locally to the directory where idl_linux.x86.tar
> is located. In that case type the name of the untar file at the
> prompt. You may have to type ./ before the file name. If however its the
> source codes then above command will create a
> linux directory and untar the files into it. In this case go to this
> directory and read all readme, install and config files on how to compile
> and install the IDL source files.
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> On 13 Jun 2003, Steve wrote:
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>> dear all,
>> I have just downloaded IDL for my linux os, and I would like to
>> install it (I have root access).
>> I am new to linux and IDL :-(
>> The file is idl_linux.x86.tar.gz and it is in my /home/steve
>> Is there any one so kind to drive me ste by step in installation
>> procedure?
>> Thank a lot, cheers!
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a IDL library at ForschungsZentrum Juelich
http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl_icglib/idl_lib_intro.html
