Subject: Re: idlde: Linux vs. Windows
Posted by R.Bauer on Wed, 10 Sep 2003 01:37:39 GMT
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Chris ODell wrote:

> I have just switched jobs, and in the process have been forced to
> migrate from Windows to Linux.  I have a lot of programming in the
> windows IDLDE and really love it.  Color coding, lots of preferences
> available (like getting the silly project manager off the desktop),
> etc.  I see (in previous threads) that there are some weird technical
> reasons why idlde in Linux totally bites.
>
> So tell me, what is an idl programmer in linux to do?  What do you
> guys do (I'm thinking of Craig Marquardt, Liam Gumley, David Fanning,
> etc)?  All use
> emacs plus the simple idl command line interface?  Or something else?
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> I realize I am new to programming IDL under linux, so I am figuring
> people out there have come up with a nice system (equal in
> functionality to the windows idlde i hope!) for linux idl
> programming/debugging/running.  Just curious what it is.
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> BTW, i am now running Linux RedHat 9 with IDL 6.0.
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> Cheers,
> Chris O'Dell

Dear Chris,

I believe you have followed the previous thread: "Syntaxis highlighting in
IDL 6." If not you should do so.

I just want to say, it depends always on your experience. Sometimes I just
need only a simple editor e.g. vi.
If I need to debug a greater package I am using emacs (idlpvwave) or idlde.
emacs has a lot of benefits. You could format the code, You always see the
structure of the code (which "(" belongs to which ")" ) etc.


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