> By the way, what is the easiest way to switch between IDL versions under
> linux? What I do now is using a soft link: idl -> idl_6.0 and renaming
> it when I need to run 5.5. Aren't there any command line options?
> Couldn't find them

There aren't any command line options because IDL 5.5 and IDL 6.0 are
two separate programs and they aren't aware that the other exists.
While soft-linking works, you should also make sure that your IDL_PATH
is updated to include the correct directories. You wouldn't want IDL
5.5 trying to use commands built for 6.0 or vice versa.

A better solution would be to package the soft link command and update
of IDL_PATH in a script. Then when you want to switch, just call that
command. Maybe if I have time later today, I'll provide an example of
what I'm talking about.

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