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Subject: Re: IDL source editor alternatives?

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I like jEdit the java based "programmers" text editor. [www.jedit.org](http://www.jedit.org)  
It has support for a wide range of languages and a ton of plug ins.

You can pick up the idl\_pvwave jedit files from:

[http://www.acoustics.washington.edu/~towler/programs/jedit\\_idlfiles.zip](http://www.acoustics.washington.edu/~towler/programs/jedit_idlfiles.zip)

I haven't updated the package for 6.2, yet, and the pwave in the name is not to imply that there is any real pwave support but to differentiate the package from the interface definition language IDL package.

-Rick

Craig wrote:

> Hi all,  
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> Is there a better alternative to using the IDLDE source code editor (in  
> v6.1, Windows XP)? I'm finding that tabs don't always go to the same  
> place, so lining-up  
> bits of code becomes a matter of fiddling with additional spaces on  
> each line, rather than just highlighting a block and using tab or  
> shift-tab. I'd really like to be able to just highlight a block and  
> press ctrl-I (like in Matlab), so that all of the indentation is done  
> automatically. Maybe I've been spoilt, but it doesn't half make  
> understanding someone else's code a lot easier! Of course, any  
> alternative will need to be downloadable free of charge :-)  
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> TIA,  
> Craig  
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