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Subject: Re: Adobe 7.0 in IDL

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- > You probably have an old IDLWAVE bundled with emacs from long ago (the
- > last real Emacs release was around 2001, I believe). You'll need to
- > update your install (see [idlwave.org](http://idlwave.org)) to use the new HTML help. Once
- > that is done, I think you need to say just
- > `"/home/myusername/IDLWAVE"`. It automatically appends `idl_html_help`.
- > The default location is `/usr/local/etc`, so you could remove that
- > customization and just place the html help directory there as well.

I have followed the instruction and now I get `idlwave-help-....` from my emacs. However I feel still a dummy, cos I haven't yet manage to call help for a certain command.

In acrobat I was doing `ex ?ftarr ....` what should I do here in emacs?

I have tried to select `idlwave-help-menu`, but nothing happens :(

Anyhow, this is how it looks my `.emacs` file right now ...

```
(setq load-path (cons "/usr/local/share/emacs/site-lisp" load-path))
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```
(autoload 'idlwave-mode "idlwave" "IDLWAVE Mode" t)
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(autoload 'idlwave-shell "idlw-shell" "IDLWAVE Shell" t)
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(setq auto-mode-alist
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(cons '("\\.pro\\\\" . idlwave-mode) auto-mode-alist))
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```
(setq idlwave-help-browser-function 'firefox-browse-url)
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