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Subject: Re: Best platform for IDL 6.2?

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Another 2 cents from a long-time mac user, relatively new IDL user...

Yes, the idlde on unix/mac is pretty awful, but Macs have some of the best text editors around - I use a macro in the idlde to automatically open any source code in SubEthaEdit or TextWrangler, both of which have features unavailable in the IDL editor on any platform - e.g. code completion, bracket/brace balancing, as well as 'normal' features like line numbers, syntax highlighting etc.

Using MacOSX also allows you to use things like grep for searching whole source repositories, svn or cvs for version control, and the already mentioned mainstream software for email, presentations, dtp, etc. If you're into it, you can also do the emacs/idlwave thing, too.

Will.

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