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Subject: Re: IDLWave upgrading?

Posted by [Bruce Bowler](#) on Wed, 25 Jan 2006 13:45:09 GMT

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On Tue, 24 Jan 2006 13:04:11 -0700, JD Smith put fingers to keyboard and said:

> On Tue, 24 Jan 2006 12:00:35 -0500, Bruce Bowler wrote:

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>> I probably ought to direct this to JD via mail, but this way everyone can  
>> benefit...

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>> I'm currently running IDLwave 5.0 and IDL 6.1. I think it's time to  
>> upgrade IDLwave to 5.6.

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>> What are the "gotchas" that I ought to look out for? Should I uninstall  
>> 5.0 before I try and install 5.6?

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> The only real gotcha is if your old IDLWAVE is still installed, and  
> Emacs find that one first. This is easy to see, since the version is  
> printed when IDLWAVE starts up (also, C-h m will show the version).  
> Normally, this is not a problem, if you are installing to the same  
> place, it will just overwrite the old files with the new, and you  
> should be good to go. You'll probably also need to grab and install  
> the HTML help relevant for IDL 6.1.

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> That said, you could just wait for IDLWAVE 6.0, due out "any time  
> now", which interfaces with the new IDL Assistant, and makes  
> downloading any help unnecessary (since it comes bundled with IDL  
> now). Lots of other nice improvements as well.

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> JD

Done, and as predicted, painless...

One question. One of my motivations for upgrading was that  
IDLWAVE>>Documentation>>Launch IDL Help  
didn't.

I had assumed that it was because I was on IDL 6.1 and IDLWave 5.0 and  
there was a "version mismatch" going on. Even after upgrading, it still  
doesn't. Context sensitive help works, but Launch IDL help doesn't work.  
Any clues about how to make it work would be most appreciated.

Bruce

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