
Subject: installing idl6.0_se + ubuntu GNU/Linux
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Dear list members,

If this is OT then I apologise. I had my motherboard crash recently, and so I am trying to reinstall IDL 6.0 student version on a machine running ubuntu, a debian based GNU/Linux. I read some earlier threads re:problems with ubuntu(missing libstdc++ files in /usr/lib) and installed them.. I am hardpressed for time, trying to get ready for a research meeting. So I'd appreciate if anyone can gimme some quick pointers/advice, else I would have to spend time reading IDL's install scripts and check on porting binaries from RH to Debian based environments and kernel/compiler compatibility etc.. I should mention that I have installed and used IDL 6.0_se on a Debian box with kernel 2.4.32 without any problems.

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My environment: Ubuntu (Debian based distro) breezy, kernel 2.6.12-9-386

libc6:2.3.5-1ubuntu1 (ubuntu specific) Besides, I have installed all the necessary libstdc++ versions mentioned in some previous threads here.. here is what I did:

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sudo mount /usr/scd0 /cdrom
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sudo sh /cdrom/xinstall.sh
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then the xinstall window pops up, I enter YES to accept RSI license and then the installer throws me to the "select options" page and I chose:IDL program files, Demos, Manuals, Java bridge, Wavelet toolkit and

High res maps. The platform was selected by installer correctly as linux-X86and when I press Install button, I get the error:

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Script not found

The script /usr/local/rsi/idl_6.0se/bin/post_unpack was not found.

There maybe errors setting up the environment.

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I could create the directory, but nothing is copied into the directory. I do have write permission to /usr/local/rsi

What is going on? Why am I unable to unpack the tarballs inside the install cdrom? Should the newer kernel matter? All that matter should be the gcc and

the libc6 version and such? Shouldn't they be backward compatible? I have even installed the older versions of libs. Or is it a problem of incompatibility of binaries?

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Any advice/pointers to solve this quickly (speed --> the speed of light) would be much appreciated..

TIA,

