I second the notion that IDLDE on X is abysmal. Not much better on the PC though...

On the subject of TextWrangler - it's also possible to use syntax highlighting, which can be a big help. Another text editor worth mentioning is SubEthaEdit (version 2.2 is still available free for non-commercial use, newer versions are now shareware), which also does syntax highlighting, and code-completion as an added bonus. Both can be invoked from the command line, so you can be in an IDL session in the terminal and edit some code with "$edit myCode.pro" or "see myCode.pro", depending on which one you're using.

All we need now is IDL native on MacIntel...

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