Posted by Mirko on Tue, 13 Mar 2007 15:57:34 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message On Mar 8, 2:40 pm, JD Smith <jdsm...@as.arizona.edu> wrote: > On Thu, 08 Mar 2007 09:43:35 -0800, Matt wrote: >> On Mar 8, 10:20 am, Kenneth Bowman <k-bow...@tamu.edu> wrote: >>> Is Eclipse in the future for IDL? >>> There's a story at the Reg titled "Developers tell Eclipse why it >>> sucks". ;-) >> Every time I hear IDL will be including eclipse in the next release I >> freak out about not being able to use emacs and idlwave anymore. Does >> anyone know if it will still be supported on linux? > > IDLWAVE isn't going anywhere. If anything, ITTVIS has been far more > supportive of it over the last years. In fact, the fancy new help > interface, which allows you to pull up context help in the Assistant > from any IDL version starting with 6.1, is courtesy of the > idl catalog.xml file now distributed with IDL, and built directly by > their documentation group. IDLWAVE parses this to learn system calling > syntax, location of help topics, etc. In the old days, we had to scan > PDF and HTML versions of their docs to discover this information. > using a giant and very difficult to maintain Perl script. Long time > IDLWAVE users might even remember the text-based help converted from > PDF, which we augmented by splicing in the "What's New" information > when v5.5 was released without updated documentation -- for a while, > IDLWAVE had the only up to date manuals for IDL! > There may be less motivation to use IDLWAVE for new users, given how > awful the current Motif IDLDE is, but I don't expect any other changes. > > > Those of you looking to get started with IDLWAVE, I strong recommend > getting hold of a recent copy of Emacs 22 (still in pre-release, but > very stable and feature-packed). IDLWAVE is up to date and optimized > for this version. One could speculate Emacs 22 will be released in > the next months, but then again, it's been "months away" for several > vears now... > JD

Windows users can find pre-compiled binaries of emacs-22 on the AucTeX site ( http://www.gnu.org/software/auctex/download-for-windows.html)

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