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Subject: IDL Project Organization

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Folks,

I'm sorry you have to struggle with the ol' man here,  
but I'm \*trying\* to get myself up-to-date. :-(

OK, I have a fresh, new LINUX installation, and a fresh new IDL 7.0 installation. I can do whatever I want to do with files. I have four libraries I want to install and originally I put them in my home directory in the following directories: coyote, astro, jhuapl, and markwardt.

No problem creating new projects in the IDL Workbench for these four directories.

But, after doing this, I think, "Humm, my home directory is going to get a little crowded if I keep this up."  
So, I decide to delete all these projects in the Workbench, move those four directories into the IDLWorkspace directory and try again to add them to my Workbench.

No dice. On Vince's advice, I find and delete the .project file in each directory before I try to add it to the Workbench. Still no dice.

OK, so I make an IDL directory in my home directory and move the four directories over there. Now I can successfully add them my Workbench. Great.

But now they are cluttering up my little window in my Workbench and I would like to group them together under a project called "Libraries". I make a project called "Libraries" that points to the IDL directory holding the four directories. Fine. But now I try to drag my other libraries into this one, and a get a "problems moving selected resource" error.

I'm stymied, and I'm scared to death to actually move client files because I'm not at all sure what the hell I am doing here and I get the feeling I don't want to make a mistake. I've become my wife! Can someone please help me sort this out?

I'm not to the point where I'm ready to delete every damn thing and re-install IDL 6.4, but the

thought has crossed my mind. :-(

Cheers,

David

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

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