
Subject: Re: IDL 7 on LINUX Question

Posted by [Vince Hradil](#) on Tue, 04 Dec 2007 02:14:52 GMT

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On Dec 3, 6:08 pm, JD Smith <jdsm...@as.arizona.edu> wrote:

> On Fri, 30 Nov 2007 14:09:00 -0800, Vince Hradil wrote:

>> 1- how does IDL-Wave for Emacs do this. Doesn't it build a "library" file
>> that keeps track of things like keywords and completions, etc. Then that
>> file can be quickly searched. Of course, if you change your library, you
>> have to re-scan the files, but I find this not too inconvenient.

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> You pre-scan and it creates .idlwave_catalog files. You can rescan
> easily, but until you do, nothing changes. Any files loaded in a buffer,
> or routines compiled *do* update, so typically things stay in reasonable
> sync.

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> JD

Thanks for the reply, JD. The more I play with the new IDE, the more I think I'm going to stick with emacs. Of course, I've been using emacs for about 15-20 years now, so that could have a lot to do with my bias. I really think that the IDLDE could have used a "catalog" approach, but maybe it is just the way things are normally done in Eclipse - i.e. rescan the active path upon loading the ide. Any JAVA (or other) developers out there that use Eclipse? Of course, JAVA and IDL are completely different beasts when it come to deployment (or are they really...?)
