
Subject: Re: idlwave: spaces round = and other operators
Posted by [Benjamin Hornberger](#) on Fri, 01 Feb 2008 18:29:55 GMT
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JD Smith wrote:

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> On Jan 31, 6:36 pm, Benjamin Hornberger
> <hornb...@xray1.physics.sunysb.edu> wrote:
>> JD Smith wrote:
>>>> in my .emacs (of course with paths adjusted to my system), but it didn't
>>>> help. It did get rid of the "HTML help location not found: try setting
>>>> `idlwave-system-directory' and/or `idlwave-html-help-location'." error
>>>> message when starting IDLWAVE but didn't get rid of the "spaces around
>>>> operators" problem.
>>> Do you see the error message I mentioned?
>> I did see the message "HTML help location not found: try setting
>>>> `idlwave-system-directory' and/or `idlwave-html-help-location'.".
>> That I could get rid of with the hints you mentioned (on the idlwave
>> website), but it didn't solve the original problem
>>
>>> Try M-: (length idlwave-
>>> routines) [RET]. Should be around 2500.
>> 0 (#o0, #x0)
>>
>> What should I do about that?
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>
> You need to figure out why it's not finding and translating the
> idl_catalog.xml file which is supposed to live in idl/help/
> online_help.
>
> Is this IDL 7? You didn't say. There's been some monkeying around
> with the location of help files, and the entire help system which
> IDLWAVE doesn't know about; see this tech tip:
>
> http://www.ittvis.com/services/techtip.asp?ttid=4323
>
> If you are using IDL 7, and don't want to go that whole route, you
> could try creating a link or copy of idl_catalog.xml in help/
> online_help (the moved it just to help/). I may release a version
> which at least looks for the catalog file there.
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Yes, this is IDL 7.0, but I believe I had the problem with 6.4 as well
(after installing Emacs 22).

I had seen the tech tip and did already copy the online_help directory
(didn't help).

Anyway, do you think not finding the help system is responsible for the problem with space around operators? Doesn't sound like it's related to me. I have to say I never used the IDL help within Emacs/IDLWAVE (probably would be a good thing to learn), I always have the IDL help browser open. At the moment I am mostly concerned about the "spaces around operators" problem.

Thanks,
Benjamin
