
Subject: Re: FL 0.72: Let the SUNshine in!
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On Tue, 9 Sep 2008, RussellGrew wrote:

> Hi Lajos,
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> I had never heard of FL and just tried it. I am all for free
> equivalents!
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> A question: can I use IDL DLM's with it? It is unclear to me whether
> the .flm files on your page are fundamentally different.
>

No, you can't use IDL DLMs. .flm and .dlm file are similar, but they describe the interface only. The actual DLM source code is very different. FL is written in C++, uses some builtin C++ types for basic data types (std::string for strings, std::complex for complex numbers), so the DLM code must be also C++. However, the object oriented approach results in simpler and more readable code, eg. keyword handling is much easier (well, if you have basic C++ knowledge :-).

regards,
lajos
