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Subject: Re: Full text searching of IDL code libraries?

Posted by [jeanh](#) on Wed, 09 Dec 2009 17:25:19 GMT

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Jared Espley wrote:

- > I have a simple question. I have a bunch of IDL routines. I want to
- > search them for where a particular word ("longitude" in this case)
- > shows up in the code. I tried using the IDL 7.0 workbench search
- > function but it didn't work. I tried using the operating system
- > search function and thought about using Google desktop search; these
- > appear to only work if I change every .pro file to be a .txt file.
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- > My current thought is to take the time finally figure out how the IDL
- > 7 workbench actually works so that I can understand when the search
- > looks through a "workspace" or "workset" I know what that means and
- > why it doesn't work. I'd prefer to continue working in my old school
- > ignorance since I have other things I need to get done today. I know,
- > I know. I can hear the "Give a man a fish, feed him once. Teach a man
- > to fish..." mantra starting up already.
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- > Any other suggestions? Thanks.
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- > Jared

Hi,

well, hum, it is not that hard...

- 1)select a file in your project
- 2)go the the search menu / search (ctrl + H)
- 3)in "containing text", put your search string
- 4)in "scope", select "enclosed project" (to search only on the current project, or "workspace" to search for all files. Alternatively, click on "working set", then "choose" then "new". You can then select all the projects or individual files that interest you
- 5)click "search" or on "replace" The search results appear in a new window and the "replace" dialog box let you process entry by entry, file by file.

Jean

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