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Subject: Re: Working with the recall buffer in idlde  
Posted by [Juggernaut](#) on Mon, 28 Jun 2010 10:32:10 GMT  
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On Jun 24, 11:33 am, Doug Edmundson <do...@ittvis.com> wrote:

> On 6/23/10 8:50 PM, lef...@gmail.com wrote:

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>> After 18 years working with IDL at the command line, I'm giving IDLDE  
>> a try. One thing I miss is using the ^ (caret) to search for recent  
>> commands. Has anyone found a way to access the recall buffer from the  
>> idlde command line? If not, is there a way to access the recall buffer  
>> from the IDL programming environment so I could write a small program  
>> to implement some of the ^ functionality?

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> The 8.0 IDLDE has some things you might like, such as control+space for  
> command completion (enter "widg", press control+space and a list of all  
> matching routines will pop up; this works in the editor too). Pressing  
> the tab key will cause the IDLDE to go through the command history and  
> recall a matching command. There's also the command history view which  
> shows all recent commands and allows you to drag'n'drop to the command  
> line or double click them to immediately execute.

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> Cheers,  
> Doug

IDL 7.x does code complete with Control+Space as well...hitting tab  
while typing something also searches for previous entries that match  
it and will cycle through them.

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