
Subject: Re: idl emacs question

Posted by [Carsten Dominik](#) on Fri, 05 Nov 1999 08:00:00 GMT

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>>>> > "KY" == Karl Young <kyoung@itsa.ucsf.edu> writes:

KY> I was just curious if anybody has had this problem with the idl
KY> mode in emacs and if so what they did about it. When I start emacs
KY> and edit an idl file I get colored fonts and the mode line at the
KY> bottom of the window reads ...(IDL Abbrev Fill)... So far so
KY> good. If I then edit a C++ file (or I presume any file with an
KY> associated language specific mode but I haven't confirmed this for
KY> anything but C++) and go back and try to edit an IDL file I lose
KY> the colored fonts and mode line reads ...(IDL Fill)... and this
KY> seems to be an irreversible change for the rest of the emacs
KY> session. Thanks for any suggestions. BTW I'm using GNU Emacs
KY> 20.2.1 under Solaris 2.6 and idl.el 1.40

The old IDL mode does no longer work for Emacs 20, because of a name
space conflict with another mode (idl-mode in cc-mode.el). Goto

<http://www.strw.leidenuniv.nl/~dominik/Tools/idlwave/>

and get the IDLWAVE mode from there. You need to adapt the stuff in
.emacs in order to make it work - see the INSTALL file of the
distribution.

- Carsten

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