
Subject: IDLWAVE 3.7

Posted by [Carsten Dominik](#) on Fri, 12 Nov 1999 08:00:00 GMT

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IDLWAVE, the GNU Emacs package for editing IDL files and running IDL as a subprocess under Emacs is now at version 3.7. I consider this release final, but I will continue to fix bugs.

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

Main Changes:

- Completion of Object Methods now works much better, and can actually deal with the mixed case (like IDLgrModel etc) of these words. Thanks to JD Smith who convinced me to implement this, came up with many important suggestions and has patiently checked a long row of alpha versions.
- IDLWAVE can scan the entire IDL library for information about available routines. That information is then available for completion and routine info display.
- I have tried to make IDLWAVE cooperate with the IDL online help. In the Routine info display you can click on items to get the online info about them. Unfortunately this does not work as well as I had hoped because of the *brain-dead* ONLINE_HELP command. If anyone at RSI is interested I can provide them with a list what this command needs to be useful.
- Exiting IDL cleans up the buffers related to the shell. It also kills the dedicated frame. Thanks to E. Dors for this suggestion.
- Documentation finalized. The printed documentation is 24 pages. Available online in Emacs (info), as postscript and HTML.

Enjoy

- Carsten

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Subject: Re: IDLWAVE 3.7

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Thank you for the update. I was very happy to find the emacs-plugin some months ago for the first time. It worked very well even on my Windows NT-machine. And it is much more convenient to use than the editor that comes with IDL.

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Thank you,

Karri Kaksonen
