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Hi,

[true: there may be a better newsgroup for this, but at least I sort of know what to expect from you folks ;-)]

I happily found a binary archived file for xemacs under Windows, and it runs nicely --- except that I can't get it to honor any fontification. And I would really like to have the idlwave mode going! I gather this has to do with the directory structure which is certainly not the same as was compiled into the xemacs program. I've spent about an hour or so to set some load-path variables but couldn't make any headway (well, I am really not an emacs expert, I admit!). If there is anyone who has succeeded in doing this (or who would anxiously like to help me), I'd be happy about email. This matter is probably not of enough interest to be pursued in the newsgroup -- although I happily volunteer to publish the solution once it's achieved.

Cheers,  
Martin

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kick start fontification each time that I start XEmacs under Win95 (I don't have to do this under Linux). After that, I am off and running for the rest of the session. As far as I know, and I haven't really looked into this, you can not run the idl process from inside XEmacs under Win95 like you can under other \*real\* operating systems. This is unfortunate. I wish that RSI supported their command line executable under Win95 because I really hate IDLDE and I really love idlwave-shell-mode. But unless they do I don't think that you will get idlwave-shell-mode to work.

In the case that it helps you get started I have enclosed the statements from my .emacs files which I use to start idlwave mode and font-lock. This is more than you need, I have customized things a bit.

Good luck,

Eric

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;;
.....font-lock mode;.....
;;
;;
(if (eq window-system 'x)
    (progn
      (require 'font-lock)
      (add-hook 'font-lock-mode-hook 'turn-on-lazy-lock)))
;;
;;
.....IDL editing mode;.....
;;
;;
(setq load-path (append '("c:/xemcs/xemacs-packages/lisp/idlwave-3.5")))
(add-hook 'idlwave-mode-hook
  (function
    (lambda ()
      (setq ;Set options here
        idlwave-surround-by-blank t ;Turn on padding symbols =,<,>, etc.
        idlwave-reserved-word-upcase t ;Change reserved words to upper case
        idlwave-abbrev-move t ;Allow abbrevs to move point backwards
        idlwave-file-header '("~/lib/idl/template.pro"
          "Can't find Template file")
        idlwave-end-block-reg "\\<end\\(\\|case\\|else\\|for\\|if\\|rep\\|while\\)\\>"
      )
      ;; Run other functions here
      (local-set-key "\C-j" 'idlwave-newline)
    )))
(setq auto-mode-alist
  (append '("\.pro$" . idlwave-mode)
    ("\.PRO$" . idlwave-mode)
    ("\.cmn$" . idlwave-mode))
  auto-mode-alist))
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(autoload 'idlwave-mode "idlwave" "IDLWAVE Mode" t)

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Subject: Re: XEmacs for Windows

Posted by [John-David T. Smith](#) on Mon, 28 Feb 2000 08:00:00 GMT

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Subject: Re: XEmacs for Windows

Posted by [Martin Schultz](#) on Thu, 02 Mar 2000 08:00:00 GMT

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Thanks to all for your helpful comments! Turns out it was a path

written as "C:\xemacs-packages\lisp\idlwave" where it should be "C:\xeamcs-packages\lisp\idlwave" or "C:/xemacs-packages/lisp/idlwave".

Thanks again,  
happy e-idl-macsing,  
Martin

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