
Subject: idl/idlde command line autocomplete
Posted by [Carsten Lemmen](#) on Tue, 21 May 2002 07:49:57 GMT
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Is there an option/does anyone have a plugin to obtain this functionality?

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Subject: Re: idl/idlde command line autocomplete
Posted by [thompson](#) on Wed, 22 May 2002 16:00:00 GMT
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Subject: Re: idl/idlde command line autocomplete
Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Wed, 22 May 2002 17:53:07 GMT
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Subject: Re: idl/idlde command line autocomplete
Posted by [thompson](#) on Wed, 22 May 2002 20:29:09 GMT
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Subject: Re: idl/idlde command line autocomplete
Posted by [Paul Woodford](#) on Thu, 23 May 2002 03:32:58 GMT
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In article <3CE9FC25.5050206@fz-juelich.de>,
Carsten Lemmen <c.lemmen@fz-juelich.de> wrote:

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The Macintosh version of IDL used to have a autocomplete feature.
However, RSI killed it, and the version that they are bringing to OS X
is a unix port, so I am afraid that it probably won't have the nice UI.

Paul

Subject: Re: idl/idlde command line autocomplete
Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Thu, 23 May 2002 06:42:35 GMT
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I have looked in the IDLHELP by

Command Input Line

If you click the right mouse button while positioned over the Command
Input Line, a popup menu appears displaying the command history, with a
maximum buffer of 20 entries.

With this we can select the last command by mouse but this could be
enhanced that it has a preselection.

Reimar

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Subject: Re: idl/idlde command line autocomplete
Posted by [Pavel A. Romashkin](#) on Thu, 23 May 2002 15:36:01 GMT
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On a Mac, you have it.
Cheers,
Pavel

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