
Subject: Installing 6.2 on Fedora Core 5

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I am starting to appreciate my Windows machine at work. I get an IDL CD, pop it into the drive, run the installation, point it to the license file, and I'm done.

Meanwhile, back at the ranch, I downloaded the IDL distro, unpacked it and ./install-ed it (never mind that I could not do it by su -c ./install, because an "echo ..." statement in yesno script was causing trouble, so I had to login as root).

Then my license file failed to impress the license manager (my platform is i86_re, and my license was for i86_r). However (and THANK YOU RSI), the license file in my account was updated to include i86_re, so I downloaded that, and IDL runs.

But now, if I try to run an iTool, IDL complains about a missing "libstdc++.so.5" file. It turns out that I have "libstdc++.so.6" file. Assuming (foolishly?) backward compatibility tried to trick IDL, I created a soft link from .6 to .5.

No luck, since now I get a message GLIBCPP_3.2 is not found (required by idl_xml.so).

If RSI were to drop linux/unix support, I may have an inkling why.

BTW, does anyone have any ideas how to proceed? My Unix programming skills are close to zero (thanks to tools such as IDL).

Cheers,

Mirko

PS. Oh, and why am I installing IDL on Linux? Well, as the person that makes the big bucks in our family, I get the crappy computer. My wife has a dual-core Dell, daughters a 2.4GHz gateway, and I was handed down an old (I am not going to admit to the processor speed) PC running W98 (Second Edition), not supported anymore by RSI.

For my stuff, I really don't need super-fancy stuff. Heck, I did my PhD on a 200MHz Alpha 11 years ago, and it was mostly IDL.

And now, if you excuse me, I'll go of into the sunset of irrelevance and go practice my guitar:-)
