
Subject: Using Vi in the 7.0 Workbench
Posted by [sboLin42](#) on Mon, 03 Dec 2007 22:43:13 GMT
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If you love vi, then you might want to try this vi plugin for eclipse.

The plugin is not free. Cost is 15 Euro = 21.94 USD
The website for the plugin, if you want to read about it, is:
<http://satokar.com/viplugin/>

To install, just use Help->Software Updates...->Find and Install...
Select 'Search for new features to install', then NEXT
Select 'New Remote Site'
Then enter:
Name: viPlugin
URL: <http://satokar.com>

Finish the wizard, and then you'll have it.
After installing, turn on the "vi" key mappings by doing the following:
Window->Preferences...
then, General->Keys
then, change the scheme to ViPlugin using the combo box at the top of the page.

It is free to try the plugin. It will be fully functional, but will occasionally pop up a dialog requesting you to make a purchase.

A nice feature of the plugin is that it will put a "vi" button on your main tool bar, allowing you to enable/disable the "vi" functionality.

If your accustomed to the power of vi, then you might want to give it a try.

Scott Bolin
ITTVis

Subject: Re: Using Vi in the 7.0 Workbench
Posted by [Haje Korth](#) on Tue, 04 Dec 2007 18:15:54 GMT
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No need to apologize, we are just entertaining ourselves.

<sbolin42@gmail.com> wrote in message
 news:4db8ec97-b46a-4b76-91b4-e9ba24b014b6@e10g2000prf.google groups.com...
 > On Dec 4, 8:54 am, "Haje Korth" <haje.ko...@nospam.jhuapl.edu> wrote:
 >> David,
 >> it had a more provoking effect without the smiley. And don't get me
 >> wrong, I
 >> know the basics of using vi because on UNIX terminal you sometimes don't
 >> have other choices. However, it never occurred to me that I would use it
 >> to
 >> edit my code.
 >>
 >> I hope I am far enough away from the people I emotionally touched with my
 >> comment. :-) (and I hope the smiley difuses any personal grudges.)
 >>
 >> Haje
 >>
 >> "David Fanning" <n...@dfanning.com> wrote in message
 >>
 >> news:MPG.21bf0320580a629598a124@news.frii.com...> Haje Korth writes:
 >>
 >>>> I don't get it. Isn't vi that entirely user unfriendly editor form the
 >>>> unix
 >>>> side where I have to hit "i" before I can even start inserting any
 >>>> text
 >>>> in
 >>>> my document? I thought we are trying to get away from that toward more
 >>>> usable terrain?
 >>
 >>> Whoops! Haje forgot the smilely face thingy. :-)
 >>
 >>> Cheers,
 >>
 >>> David
 >>
 >>> P.S. One thing I learned about working in a UNIX shop
 >>> recently is that it's not generally a good idea to impugn
 >>> someone's choice of editor, no matter how archaic it
 >>> seems to you. And, anyway, I'm beginning to see a lot
 >>> more value in the old than I used to see. :-)
 >>> --
 >>> David Fanning, Ph.D.
 >>> Fanning Software Consulting, Inc.
 >>> Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming:<http://www.dfanning.com/>
 >>> Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
 >
 > Didn't mean to start an editor debate. I just mention this as an
 > option that is available. There are those who are already learned
 > in the ways of vi and can really be fast and productive with an

> editor that doesn't require removing your hands from their position
> over the letters on the keyboard.
>
> For some, not all, the ability to have vi plus the power of the
> workbench (outline view, content assist, hover help,
> open declaration, interactive debugger, etc...) is a huge plus.
>
> Even if you are not interested in vi, this is an example of the rich
> and diverse possibilities offered by the versatile Eclipse platform.
>
> Scott Bolin
> ITTVis

Subject: Re: Using Vi in the 7.0 Workbench
Posted by [Vince Hradil](#) on Tue, 04 Dec 2007 23:00:04 GMT
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On Dec 4, 3:49 pm, Ed Hyer <ejh...@gmail.com> wrote:
> On Dec 4, 5:28 am, James Kuyper <jameskuy...@verizon.net> wrote:
>
>> Haje Korth wrote:
>>> Scott,
>>> I don't get it. Isn't vi that entirely user unfriendly editor from the unix
>>> side where I have to hit "i" before I can even start inserting any text in
>>> my document? I thought we are trying to get away from that toward more
>>> usable terrain?
>
>> Yes, vi is ancient, and has a horrific learning curve, and I would not
>> recommend it new users. However, some of us have already climbed that
>> learning curve, and I can do things with vi that are excessively
>> difficult to do in any other editor I'm familiar with. As long as the
>> viPlugin is an option, not mandatory, I think there's at least a few
>> people like me who would appreciate having that option.
>
> Six cheers for vi! Celebrate by taking an American-style date and
> feeding it to IDL as a julian day:
> :s/(\[0-9]{2}\)[-V.](\[0-9]{2}\)[-V.](\[0-9]{2}\))/
> julday(1,\2,1900+\3,0,0,0)/
>
> Will eclipse+vi tempt me away from emacs+viper+idlwave? A tantalizing
> possibility!

Ooooh - vi IN emacs. Now there's a scary thought 8^{
