
Subject: bizzare idlwave abbrev behavior

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I recently upgraded my emacs version to the newest CVS version (23.0.60.2) to take advantage of xtf support. I'm using the IDLWAVE version (6.1_em22) that is included in that tree. Everything seems to work as it should, except that in IDLWAVE mode when writing a comment block the abbrev functionality goes a little nutty. Typing any words (as comments) that are in the currently loaded abbrev list (M-x edit-abbrevs (e.g. and or if pro)) causes an extra space to be inserted before the specified word, and the point (cursor) is moved to the first letter of said word.

I only see this behavior inside comment blocks - outside of them, all abbrevs work as expected. I've tried launching emacs with the "-q" switch to disable my .emacs file, but still see the same problem.

Any idea on what is going wrong here? According to the IDLWAVE manual: "IDLWAVE ensures that abbreviations are only expanded where they should be (i.e., not in a string or comment),..."

BTW - the xtf support is great! - Bitstream Vera Sans Mono-8 is a fantastic font, and now allows me to fit 2 ~80 character wide frames next to each other without overlapping on my 1024x768 laptop display, while keeping things easily readable.

Thanks
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