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Posted by [Jianbao](#) on Sat, 13 Dec 2008 06:25:38 GMT  
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Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Mon, 15 Dec 2008 15:44:03 GMT  
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I already had 6.4 installed, so it was very convenient.

Yes, a standalone help viewer would be very nice, especially for those  
of us who use command line IDL regularly.

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