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Subject: editing with emacs - idl.el 1.30

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I have put version 1.30 of idl.el at the following locations:

`ftp://fermi.jhuapl.edu/pub/idl_emacs/idl.el`  
`ftp://eos.crseo.ucsb.edu/pub/idl/idl.el.Z`

idl.el is an intelligent editing mode used in GNU emacs for your ".pro" files. Also at the same locations you can find idl-shell.el for running IDL as a subprocess of emacs.

The comments at the beginning of the file describe the mode use, installation and customization.

This version has a minor change from the previous version to better handle the indent of the first line of a comment paragraph and to optionally use the hanging indent character on the first line of a comment paragraph.

The better first line handling allows things like lining up the hanging indent for successive paragraphs, i.e.:

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; FOO    - This is the name of some useless variable. The hanging
;         indent will stay at its current position if the paragraph
;         is refilled.
;
; LONGFOO - This is a another paragraph with a hanging indent. Now
;         if one lines up the hanging indent in successive
;         paragraphs the position of the hanging indents will not
;         change if the paragraphs are refilled.
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