
Subject: Re: Color in emacs IDL mode

Posted by [J.D. Smith](#) on Tue, 02 Feb 1999 08:00:00 GMT

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Gwyn Fireman wrote:

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> I can't seem to get color working in emacs. I think I have turned on
> the font-lock mode, but the only indication is that string constants
> are underlined. Perhaps I need to set something in my .Xdefaults file?
> I am new to customizing emacs and would appreciate any help.

Maybe add something like:

```
;;setup display colors for font-lock
(set-face-foreground font-lock-comment-face "FireBrick")
(set-face-foreground font-lock-string-face "DarkOrchid")
(set-face-foreground font-lock-keyword-face "DarkGreen")
(set-face-foreground font-lock-function-name-face "Navy")
(set-face-foreground font-lock-variable-name-face "Magenta")
(set-face-foreground font-lock-reference-face "Yellow")
```

to your idl-mode-hook. Also try adding (fast-lock-mode 1) for real-time re-fontification.

Good Luck,

JD

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J.D. Smith (jdsmith@astrosun.tn.cornell.edu) wrote:

: Maybe add something like:

<snip>

Thank you, thank you!

But I do get errors on the following lines:

: (set-face-foreground font-lock-keyword-face "DarkGreen")

: (set-face-foreground font-lock-variable-name-face "Magenta")

as well as on the (fast-lock-mode 1), so I have commented them out for now. Also only the strings and comments are getting colorized.

My inexpert reading of the idl.el file suggests that some of these features won't work with emacs version < 19.29. This is still a lot better than before!

Thanks again,
Gwyn

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