Subject: Re: Sad...
Posted by gprentice on Sun, 31 May 2009 12:39:26 GMT

luzr wrote on Sun, 31 May 2009 23:06
Well, I guess first thing newbie should do is to try examples.

First run he will be presented with all examples. Next run he will be stuck with the example he selected in previous run. What is more confusing?

It is definitely easy to do this optional, the question is what would be the default..

You're assuming that the newbie exits theIDE between examples. More likely he will want to try several examples without exiting so has to learn the "select main package thing". This gives me an idea. U++ help needs a quick start topic - how to select an example/package/project and run it, then how to create a project from scratch.

Brand new installation would default to going straight to theIDE, for newbies.

However, maybe an alternative is for new installations to be presented with an additional startup dialog that explains what the "select main package" dialog is - or even put the explanation directly into the select main package dialog with a hide button.

e.g. "The select main package dialog allows you to select the active package (project). If you are a new user, just click OK."

- is a bit more friendly than expecting newbies to guess at what the dialog does, since "package" is non-intuitive.

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