Subject: Re: Splitting debs into two parts

Posted by dolik.rce on Wed, 14 Apr 2010 15:04:46 GMT

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nlneilson wrote on Wed, 14 April 2010 15:37This looks like three packages rather than two.

- 1. upp
- 2. theide
- 3. theide-nogtk

Wouldn't it be easier and simpler to have just two.

For those that are concerned about disk space the gtk dependencies could be removed with a simple script.

theide-nogtk would need to be built by the user but what percentage of users would need/want this? I am not familiar with this so I may be wrong.

Yes, it is tree packages. But only two of them are installed at any time. Note that usual user would install upp and theide would be installed as dependey. Advanced user has a choice to install nogtk version instead. Creating the nogtk version is just a matter of passing different flags to makefile. So no additional work for maintainer and no additional problems for end user.

You are right that anyone can compile his own theide, but it requires time and also knowledge how to do it. I have no idea how many people does use this. My guess is less than 5%... I know about one for sure - myself I like to have nice clean system without unnecessary GTK libs and I even prefer the Classic look. It is pretty tedious to compile theide on both of my computers every time some new feature was implemented. You might say I'm biased and you would be right

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