Subject: Re: TheIde new look
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Currently we have two QUICK code navigation features: ^G for local and ^J for global. IMO they are extremely useful. For now, I have a proposal how to make local navigation even more useful.

Simple scenario: one needs to find some function. He may do it with mouse scroller up/down (or just scroll with keys). Or he may press mouse scroller/middle button and switch to thumbnail view of current file where only declarations are displayed, then click one of them automatically switching to "normal view". It is just 2 mouse clicks (against current ^G + time to look at new window + double click). This may seem unimportant, but IMO this will greatly improve local navigation usability.

And finally I tried to imagine how local navigator could look like. Finally it is just the same navigator control (Go to line or symbol...), but placed in the main window and slightly customized:

IMO this feature almost completely replaces the need of code folding. Because finally folding is just a way of making function declarations more visible. We make the same thing without need of user manually collapsing new functions, we just collapse all the code and expand it back for him with only one click.

File Attachments
1) theide3.png, downloaded 1180 times