
Subject: Re: Computing Speed

Posted by [David Kastrup](#) on Thu, 19 Feb 1998 08:00:00 GMT

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callen@bga.com (Charles Allen) writes:

> : > : If someone has access to an Intel box running both NT and Linux, I
> : > : think lots of folks in this newsgroup (like me :-) would be interested
> : > : in the IDL benchmark results.
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> [Several benchmark results posted]
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> I guess I wasn't clear enough. What seems to be the most interesting
> question here is whether the Un*x implementation of IDL is as good as
> the NT implementation. The best way to do that is to compare the
> benchmark numbers from >> the same hardware << running equivalent
> versions of the NT and Linux implementation. I don't have easy net
> access for a few weeks, but I believe RSI has a Linux/Intel
> implementation, and of course they have an NT/Intel implementation.
> If they have both Linux/Alpha and NT/Alpha implementations, that would
> be another interesting comparison.
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> Painfully posted while working in a remote region of the universe,

One has to take I/O speed into account with such tests, however. More often than not a sluggish response or execution time of workstations is caused by networking delays. Comparing the performance of a workstation that loads, executes, and even perhaps swaps over a congested or even just normally performing network is not going to be fair as compared with the performance of a basically non-networked computer.

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