Subject: Re: Computing Speed Posted by David Kastrup on Thu, 19 Feb 1998 08:00:00 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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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