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

In article <34EAE0EA.7B9A7DE@LaRC.NASA.gov>, J.M.nospam.Zawodny@LaRC.NASA.gov wrote:

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- >> What has been other people's experience running IDL on PC and UNIX
- >> based
- >> machines? How about Macs? Fast, slow. . . ?

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- > I noticed the same thing when I switched from a DEC Alpha 3000/500
- > to a PPro 200MHz a couple of years ago. The PPro was nearly twice
- > as fast and most IDL tests and it cost way less than the Alpha
- > (and I could buy software for NT unlike Digital Unix). Most of
- > the Alpha folks here have upgraded to PC's. We are now working on
- > getting rid of Sun's and saving a few hundred thousand dollars in
- > the process.

You will also save a significant amount of money for your IDL licences! Out of some 'historic' reasons IDL on Unix workstations is 3 to 5 times more expensive than PC or MAC versions! I never heared any justification for this??

Servus, Helge

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