In article <thompson.744559030@serts.gsfc.nasa.gov>, thompson@serts.gsfc.nasa.gov (William Thompson) writes:
> jones@phobos.cira.colostate.edu (Andy Jones) writes:
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>> In article <23lpo6$gea@vixen.cso.uiuc.edu>, kemp@uiatma.atmos.uiuc.edu (John Kemp) writes:
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>>> I have some questions on licensing for IDL.
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> (stuff deleted)
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>> John, I am not an expert on RSI's licensing system, but from your
>> configuration it would appear that the motives might be that the DEC5000
>> would have a unique version of IDL with one node-locked license, and the
>> 3 HP systems could share the 3 floating network licenses. This would allow
>> all your systems to be used simultaneously. I believe the crux of the
>> problem is that the version of IDL on the DEC system will not run on the
>> HP systems (and vise-versa). There is therefore no need for a floating
>> license on the DEC since it can not "float" to any other machine. If more than
>> one user will be typical on the DEC machine than a multiple user-nodelocked
>> license might be in order, otherwise save some money with the single user
>> license for the DEC machine.
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> I don't think this is true. The binary executable would have to be different,
> but I think that the *licenses* can float between machines of different
> architectures--even between VMS and Unix. This is what I've heard, but I don't
> have any actual experience with it.
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> Bill Thompson

Good point. Does anyone have any experience with mixed workstation environments
and licenses out there? I'd be interested to find out.

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