
Subject: Re: IDL to C translator

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Liam Gumley wrote:

>
>> 2) Not everybody has IDL and you may want to share an application.
>> BTW: Matlab has a matlab -> C translator. I suspect for the above reasons.
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> Surely if your application is brilliantly implemented in IDL, then
> anyone that wants to use it will fall over themselves in the rush to buy
> an IDL license.

I feel like a trout on a hook, but here goes....

no matter how brilliantly your application is implemented in IDL, if you need to implement that code in a real system, i.e. a fielded military system, chances are the hardware that is going in the fielded system will not even entertain the thought of hosting IDL for your brilliant application, and your brilliant application in IDL will not run at real time (not near real time, real real time) no matter how much you tweak it. Unless you can enlighten me further....

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