
Subject: Re: ION Experiences?

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Gary (gbust@arlut.utexas.edu) writes:

> I have several IDL applications that take in data, manipulate it a bit, and
> then make some plots. I would like to make it, or something similar a "web
> program". Now, one option is to consider the IDL a proto-type, and rewrite it
> in Java, and post it as an applet.
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> The other option is to spend ~ \$5,000 for ION. Does anyone have experience
> good/bad in this regard? \$5,000 is no small amount of money. On the other
> hand, the development time to port to Java does not come cheap either.

I've seen ION, but I don't know too much about it. \$5000 seems like a lot of money for this functionality. Have you thought about a simple PERL script passing data to a callable IDL application that produced GIF files for display on the web page? I should think you could get something like that running in a couple of days.

Cheers,

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