
Subject: Re: RSI's Priorities (was: GUI Builder...)
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In article <72kkbt\$1258@ds2.acs.ucalgary.ca>,
Brian Jackel <jackel@danlon.physics.uwo.ca> writes:

- > There does seem to be a clear distinction between people
- > involved in
- > 1) Research/analysis
- > 2) Development of ``production" level code
- > For what it's worth, I'd say every one of the half-dozen
- > IDL users in our group fall into category 1.

Brian, I do wholeheartedly agree. I'm also from group 1, and really don't have a need for all those fancy things. Even widgets are a very rare thing for me....

I'm not quite shure what the people at RSI are aiming at. E.g., have a look at mathematica. When I first heard of it, it was a tool for doing analytic mathematics. Imagine my face when someone told me he is using it for data visualisation now.

Same for IDL, it looks like they want to make some sort of visual basic out of it. Together with the prices, this makes me heavily think about switching to ANA or Midas.

Peter

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