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Subject: Re: COLOR\_QUAN question  
Posted by [Struan Gray](#) on Thu, 19 Aug 1999 07:00:00 GMT  
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David Fanning, davidf@dfanning.com writes:

>> My wish list for IDL includes making it do everything  
>> Photoshop, Illustrator, Visual Basic, and MatLab can  
>> do. :-)  
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> Oh, did I mention Word and Powerpoint? Those too.

Don't forget that Lego robotics software.

Seriously though, I once asked RSI if they had considered writing a routine to use Photoshop plug-ins. There are some good 3rd party processing and masking tools that it would be very nice to be able to use in IDL, as well file format translators and image capture hardware like scanners and cameras. It would also be a good and relatively safe way of interfacing to user-written compiled code. No joy, but perhaps now they are becoming more PC-oriented it's time to try again.

Struan

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