
Subject: Re: Experinces w/ IDL for Windows
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In article <fskmjm.24@puknet.puk.ac.za>, fskmjm@puknet.puk.ac.za (MNR MJ MATHEWS) wrote:

> I've been using IDL on Windows for a while and had some problems with
> version 3.1.2. Version 3.5.1 is now available and has taken care of the
> bugs (I hope).

I'm running IDL (3.5.1) under OS2 2.1. In general it works well and is compatible with my unix procedures. I have, however, been getting a number of G.P.F. (General Protection(?) Faults). My 486 also seems to freeze often when I run MS-Kermit and IDL at teh same time but not, I think, when I run OS2 Kermit. I've had a couple of other problems such as not being able to use \$DIR (I get a DOS window which closes immediately the operation is complete but before I can assimilate the information) and the screen not refreshing well when I'm running a long job but I don't know if it is due to IDL or OS2.

The main problem I'm having is that the whole user interface is rather jarring after using a program like Microsoft Word or doing other things with the OS2 Workplace. In the primitive Unix world (as far as user interfaces) IDL fits right in but if I weren't tied to IDL, I would have searched hard for an alternative before shelling out \$750 for the PC version

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