Subject: Re: IDL RunTime

Posted by davidf on Sun, 06 Feb 2000 08:00:00 GMT

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Kelly Dean (krdean@lamar.colostate.edu) writes:

> Does a Runtime version of IDL come with the CD distribution?

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- > I am making RecCDs with GOES satellite data and I would like to add an
- > IDL say file with one of my routines to display these images. Incase a
- > borrower of these CDs does not have IDL on their machine, I would like
- > to allow them to use the "runtime" version of IDL to use my routine to
- > display the imagery.

I'm not sure about UNIX installations, but every Windows CD-ROM I've ever installed has installed a run-time version of IDL along with the regular version. But since you *have* to install IDL to have either version available, the question seems moot to me. What difference would it make which version they ran your application in?

Also realize that your IDL save file is going to be version specific. That will easily cut out a large faction of your potential users unless you provide save files for *all* expected IDL versions.

Cheers,

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