Subject: IDL

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[although somewhat on the fringe of the charter, since IDL is a rather popular analysis package used by astronomers, maybe one of us knows the answer to this question - mod.]

This is not a post about science. Sometimes we have to go down to dirty jobs...

Now we are going to make a major upgrade of uor network of SparcStations, we are moving form SunOS4.1.1 to Solaris 2.3.

Looking around to find new versions of the licenced pakages we have (Autocad, Matlab, and others) we have experienced pretty good interactions with vendors: all of them will provide the new versions of their packages at special "upgrade" prices (we usually have not software maintenance contracts), *EXCEPT* for IDL. They simply want to sell us a new package from scratch.

My question is: is this a problem due to the Italian reseller, or is it a general policy of RSI?

Many thanks,



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