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Subject: Re: Standalone executables (was Origin of IDL)  
Posted by [Andy Loughe](#) on Wed, 06 Sep 2000 19:00:04 GMT  
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Martin Schultz wrote:

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> David Fanning wrote:  
>>  
>> [...] and the total cost can be arrived at  
>> only after careful consideration of all the variables.  
>> [...]  
>  
> Here is the most recent price quote from the German  
> representative of RSI (Creaso):  
> for each scalar variable (but not complex, pointer, or  
> object): \$ 0.02  
> for each complex  
> variable: \$ 0.04  
> for each 1-dimensional array not exceeding 65K  
> elements: \$ 0.05  
> for each 2+ dimensional array not exceeding 65K  
> elements: \$ 0.08  
> for each variable with more than 65K  
> elements: \$ 0.25  
> for each pointer that gets freed  
> later: \$ 0.01 (1)  
> for each pointer that needs a  
> heap\_gc: \$ 2.80 (1)  
> for each object:  
> - \$ 0.15 (2)  
>  
> All prices are per license, there is a reduction of 15% if you  
> purchase more than 100 licenses. A base fee of \$ 3.50 is added  
> for each program unit regardless of it's use of variables.  
>  
> (1) please note that the data the pointer is pointing to must be  
> purchased seperately  
> (2) please note that the data stored in the object must be  
> purchased seperately

Ok, we'll pack all input data into short integers, perform  
only linear operations using our IDL standalone license, and  
then unpack the data and display it using python and gnuplot.  
This sounds wonderful, and think of all the money we'll save!

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