
Subject: Re: IDL on VMS??

Posted by [Hugh Evans](#) on Mon, 04 Dec 2000 08:00:00 GMT

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As a user of both IDL and PVWave (I choose which depending on what side of the bed I wake up - and which license I can grab), I can recommend them both. Although, porting from IDL -> Wave or Wave->IDL is becoming more and more problematic as their functionality and syntax (in particular structures) gradually diverge, a constant headache.

Unfortunately, we're slowly being booted off our OpenVMS machines to the considerably less reliable (and from what I've seen slower) Sun Unix machines. I wish just once that the standard for computing would err on the technically excellent side instead of the lowest common denominator (see Mac vs Windows, VMS vs Unix, Unix vs. WNT, ADA vs C/C++) -- although there is the exception to the rule (I'm becoming fond of Java).

Please do not reply to this, it is not intended as a trawl, or flame generator, just my humble opinion which no-one has been able to provide a reasonable argument to warrant any change (NOT to be taken as a challenge). :-)

Regards,

Hugh

"Harold Stevens ** PLEASE SEE SIG **" <stevens@sp27.dseg.ti.com> wrote in message news:xVRQ5.62\$y23.1709@dfw-service2.ext.raytheon.com...

> In <3A13DFC0.4B83D7BE@def.com>, Laurie Finn:

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> |> You could use PV-Wave (they still develop their OpenVMS versions)

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> [Snip...]

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> FWIW, I agree, and have found it an excellent graphical analysis environment:

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> <http://www.vni.com/products/wave/newoverview.html>

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