
Subject: MPEG and IDL 5.4

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I just discovered that IDL 5.4 won't let me run my procedure which generates MPEG files.

I get the error:

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DL> make_movie, vol, mpeg='b_w_test.mpg'
% LICENSE MANAGER: MPEG feature not licensed for use.
% Error occurred at: MPEG_OPEN      58 U:\RSI\IDL54\lib\mpeg_open.pro
%           MAKE_MOVIE      183
U:\Rivers\IDL\Imaging\make_movie.pro
%           $MAIN$
% Execution halted at: MAKE_MOVIE      183
U:\Rivers\IDL\Imaging\make_movie.pro
```

I don't recall seeing anything about this in the newsgroup. I also seem to find it discussed in the Release Notes or on the RSI Web site. The only I see is the entry in the help file for mpeg_open:

Note - MPEG support in IDL requires a special license. For more information, contact your

Research Systems sales representative or technical support.

Does this cost \$\$\$? I don't see special licensing for it on their Web page. Why do they do this?

Mark
