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Subject: Re: Other IDL / Mac advantages

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On Wed, 24 Oct 2001 14:44:12 -0400, Paul van Delst <paul.vandelst@noaa.gov> wrote:

>  
> This may be a bit off-topic.  
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> Forgive my lack of knowledge about Macs ... <cut>

you're forgiven :^) !

> I don't think  
> I have ever studied/worked anywhere where Macs were seriously considered  
> because they were ... <cut again>

did you ever study at Yale, Harvard, MIT? Macintosh and Apple have always been pioneers in computer world. They are the BMW's and Mercedes of desktop computers. Yes, Ford Fiesta is more common, but it does not follow that they are better. The preponderance of PC's is a market phenomena, the preponderance of Microsoft products (especially OS's) is a direct result of that companies ability to manipulate the market, other companies and even the government. It doesn't attest to any form of superiority (technical or otherwise). Indeed, it is well known that Apple has always used superior hardware and usually Macs have the latest innovations incorporated at least 1 year ahead of the PC world. Quality of the systems is much easier to control using the Apple hardware philosophy. Apple clones are also available, and are competitive with PC's. In recent years, I would say that the Macintosh's are actually a better deal in some cases: consider the iBook, can you get G4 500 MHz, firewire, usb, dvd on a PC for \$1200?

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