Subject: Re: IDL for IRIX

Posted by mike7510 on Wed, 15 Jan 2003 04:21:34 GMT

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GrahamWilsonCA@yahoo.ca (Graham) wrote in message news:<eda30d78.0301141520.49b9392f@posting.google.com>...

> mike7510@hotmail.com (Michael de la Fuente) wrote:

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- >> I'm a student at RIT in NY and am taking an Imaging Science course
- >> here.

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- > You have your own personal IRIX workstation? Well, you must have more
- > money than I do...

nah, just a smart shopper on ebay :-)

- > In any case, RSI would be a little hypocritical if
- > they started giving away the IRIX license for the student price given
- > that they have outright refused to let me purchase IDL for linux at
- > the student price :(

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- > I hate to dust off and mount my linux soap-box but the thought of
- > actually paying money for a bloated M\$ windows operating system just
- > so I can have the privilage using IDL at home is just silly. I am
- > doing a masters course in imaging having spent the past 5 years
- > writing visulization tools in the medical imaging industry. I write
- > all my assignments for my remote ensing and imaging courses in c++
- > and/or python and write data files that I can read using IDL in our
- > computer lab if I must. When our instructor realized that the student
- > version was only for windows, she revised her policy regarding
- > assignments so they could be coded in any language that students have
- > access to. To be honest, using the IDL language for anything more
- > vizsualization is like coding in the stone ages anyways! It seems the
- > folks who implimented the IDL objects only read a quarter of thier CS
- > texts or did I miss something? If you need real visualization toolkit
- > use VTK.

all of the assignments are to be done in IDL so I can't just pick and choose whatever software I want to use.....no big deal I suppose, just thought it would be nice if I could buy a copy for my own personal use or if anyone out there wanted to do a licenses transfer for a fee of some sorts.....good luck with your masters degree!!!
-Mike