
Subject: Re: IDL6.0 and Mac OS 10.3

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In article <BC031785.129B%rfrench@wellesley.edu>,
"Richard G. French" <rfrench@wellesley.edu> wrote:

- > Now for my question - I've heard some horror stories about problems
- > installing Panther on existing systems. Has anyone out there upgraded from
- > 10.2 to 10.3 on a PowerBook G4? Any problems with the upgrade or with IDL?

We have had only minor problems upgrading clients to 10.3. On a few desktop clients it took several tries to get them to connect to the directory server and authenticate (using LDAP to an XServe running 10.3). We had to remove all directory information and then recreate it (5 minutes per client). We did "update" upgrades, not "archive and install" or "clean install". I have upgraded two PowerBooks and an iBook without any problems (none use LDAP). As always, backup essential files before installing!

Our server has been a different matter. We have ongoing issues with it (server crashes, NFS problems, file service disconnects) that may or may not be related to 10.3. This has gone on for several months with two different server hardware configurations, so we intend to move our home directories from our XServe to a Linux server. If the stability does not improve, we will shift other services until we reach a satisfactory state. Other things on the server have improved. Mail seems to work well, and LDAP is good once you get it set up.

Our XServe RAID has been excellent, but Apple still only offers 180 GB drives. That plus the NFS problems have led us to order a third-party ATA RAID for the Linux server.

Ken
