gurman@uvsp.gsfc.nasa.gov (Joseph B. Gurman) writes:
>> Imagine how many copies of an IDL Student Edition for Linux (or IDL
>> Lite for Linux) that RSI could sell if the price was right! I'll bet
>> they could sell ten copies for every workstation licence currently in
>> the field....

>   ....and imagine how many tech support people they'd have to hire to
> service those student licensees.... and how that cost would be reflected
> in the license costs.... for other platforms?

So don't offer support on student versions; most likely users of such
a version will be in contact with someone more competent (that's why
they're students, right?) who can provide the no-brainer support anyway.

Just speaking of Linux versions, has anyone tried the Linux versions of
IDL and PV-wave under the NetBSD Linux-emulation mode? I'm not willing
to risk Linux for mission-critical applications, but NetBSD is a different
kettle of fish.

>   Joe Gurman

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"The question 'why are the fundamental laws of nature mathematical'
then invites the trivial response 'because we define as fundamental
those laws which are mathematical'". Paul Davies, _The_Mind_of_God_.