Subject: Re: Platform recommendation/tradeoffs?
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I have recently taken delivery of a new SPARCstation 20, primarily for running IDL applications. I was a bit dismayed to see that my TIME_TEST benchmark was about 17.5 secs.

Earlier entries in this thread have shown pentiums running better than this (15 secs, if I recall)

Have I wasted my money? Or is TIME_TEST not a good measure. Obviously, my SPARCstation has more memory (64Mb + 64Mb virtual) but I could have bought this amount on memory for a pentium and still saved enough for a jolly to Bali.....in fact, I need a PC too, for running WP apps amd the like (no WABI comments, please), so I estimate I could have saved about =A38k (\$12k)

As I am "sole user" on my system, configuration issues aren't really a problem.

Comments, anyone?

Fergus