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Subject: Re: Optimizing IDL on a Beowulf Cluster

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On Thu, 25 Aug 2005, Gianguido Cianci wrote:

- > this post brings to mind a question: what happens with the licenses?
- > AFAIK, idl uses one license per screen-motherboard combination (so you
- > can use dual-proc machines easily). What happens in the case of a big
- > mamma cluster? I am not so interested in running idl code in parallel
- > but rather having loads of idl jobs run independently on different
- > chips... any clues?

Does each job need full IDL? My understanding is that IDL licensing uses more units on faster CPU's, so in principle, each job in a cluster should consume some license units. Can the jobs use a runtime IDL environment or maybe GDL?

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