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Subject: Re: Large array memory problem.

Posted by [Rick Towler](#) on Tue, 29 Nov 2005 00:34:07 GMT

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R.G. Stockwell wrote:

> "Rick Towler" wrote...

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>> On a related note, is anyone using IDL x86-64 for linux?

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> Ours has just come online. I have not actually used it, but I

> have snooped around.

> Anything in particular you want to see?

A WinXP-64 port ;)

Actually I rarely have the need to address huge amounts of memory. I'm just interested in seeing IDL move forward in this area as I know it is a concern of colleagues and some in this newsgroup. With the death of the Itanium near, Intel's dream of pushing IA-64 into the low end HPC market is dead. Itanium has already killed PA-RISC and the beloved Alpha. uSparc? That's comedy... Even if Fujitsu delivers it isn't an especially compelling platform. Apple+PPC? We know where that love-fest is headed. IBM can deliver some excitement with Power but it will cost you (and that isn't counting the dozens of doughnuts you'll need to bribe your IT department with to run AIX in their server room).

So those of us with modest budgets and large problems are left with x86-64, warts and all, for the foreseeable future.

So I guess what I wanted to see was just what I am seeing. Interest in the linux x86-64 version which will hopefully fuel a WinXP-64 port.

-Rick

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