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Subject: Re: Question about IDL books

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pimpk24@hotmail.com writes:

- > I was not really referring to the machine as much as the command vs.
- > GUI way to run IDL- it seems like alot of the examples and info in the
- > manuals are for using the GUI builder which I do not care for.

Maybe you mean you don't like to use programs that use a GUI interface to interact with the program. I suggest, if this is the case, that you investigate GDL, the GNU IDL. It is free, doesn't have widgets, and runs exclusively from the command line. You could probably find a set of IDL 3.0 manuals around in someone's closet and you would be set. It would be like stepping back into the 1970s. Don't forget those bell-bottom polyester pants! :-)

Cheers,

David

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