
Subject: Re: Philosophical Scaling Question
Posted by [Paul Van Delst\[1\]](#) on Tue, 05 Dec 2006 15:12:54 GMT
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David Fanning wrote:

> Brian Larsen writes:

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>> When will we see this book, seems my grant could use sending some money
>> your way? Is it 3rd edition of IDL Programming Techniques or something
>> different.

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> We'll probably never see it. :-(

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> At the moment my thinking is that the 3rd Edition will weigh
> in at about 15 pounds if I put into it everything I want to
> put into it. I'm pretty sure no one will read the damn thing.

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> So I've been thinking about a slimmer volume entitled
> "Interactive IDL: What You Can Still Do at a Command
> Line With the Dopey Old Direct Graphics". I'm going
> to bet a fair bit of money this will *still* sell like
> hotcakes. :-)

I agree with Braedley. I'm into tomes at the moment *provided* they come in both print and pdf. The pdf's go on my various computers for immediate reference/searching and the tome stays at home for reading during, uh, erm, quieter moments. I realise there's a piracy issue involved, but I wish more publishers pulled their heads out of the sand and made pdf e-books available (I hope someone from O'Reilly is reading this :o)

BTW, my copy of your original book was lost (i.e. "borrowed".. grrr) years ago. Is that available as a PDF?

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