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Subject: Re: Philosophical Scaling Question  
Posted by [Braedley](#) on Mon, 04 Dec 2006 19:13:00 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. :-)  
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> Cheers,  
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> David  
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> --  
> David Fanning, Ph.D.  
> Fanning Software Consulting, Inc.  
> Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.dfanning.com/>  
> Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

Heh, I'd buy that 15 pound tome. This despite the fact that I still haven't read the last 5 chapters (7 months after the fact) of edition 1. Probably something I should have done before embarking on maintaining a beast of a widget program without much documentation, but what's done is done. Your book, website, and programs have saved me many headaches over the past several months.

Braedley

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