
Subject: Re: Anyone used FastDL?

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Richard G. French writes:

> It seems to me that IDL is going the way of MATLAB - you start paying (quite
> a bit) for extra features. Do you want reliable numerical routines? Pay for
> IDL Analyst. Do you want to do parallel processing? Pay (quite a bit) for
> FastDL. These extras are actually quite expensive, and in some cases it is
> hard to know what is really going to be useful until you fork over the dough
> and try it out.

Well, it's not a mom and pop shop anymore, that's for sure. But the FastDL guys are part of the high-end physics community, where you don't just start your IDL program and go get a cup of coffee. You start your program and go teach a class, get a haircut, stop at Starbucks, etc. Those guys are pretty clear they could use something like this. :-)

Cheers,

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
