Subject: Re: Who have an electrical book of IDL in English?
Posted by David Fanning on Fri, 12 Jan 2007 02:57:20 GMT
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tianyf@gmail.com writes:

> I think you should really learn the most things from IDL's online help
> documents. They are designed for beginners, with a lot of examples. Try
> them, and you will learn a lot.

I don't doubt you will learn a lot. Whether that's the
best way to learn IDL or not, I'm not so sure. I know
when I was first learning IDL I had to read the User's
Guide front to back twice before I could figure out how
to draw a line plot. Things have improved a lot since
then, but not so much "use the on-line help" would be
my first recommendation for learning to write IDL programs. :-)

That said, I don't know how anyone writes IDL programs
without having a dual-screen monitor so that the on-line
help can be up there simultaneously with the IDLDE.

Cheers,

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