Subject: PC-IDL

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Hi,

I saw with interest that demo versions of IDL were available across the net for different machines. I went to colorado, but there was no version for the ibm-pc/windows 3.x. (/pub/idl directory). I really like IDL and would like to see how well it runs on a PC. I have seen several mentions of this product in previous IDL newletters. Is there any idea of when it will be released, and of the guestimated price? If the pricing follows that for our vaxen then it may be too much for just a single user IBM PC. If there is a demo version then I would like to test it.

I apologise to all who regard this as a `personal' to RSI, or as unethical use of the net. But then this is less direct and urgent than a phone call, but quicker than a letter. If the pv-wave guys have a version running on intel chips then i am interested in that too. The wonders of a free market. :-)

Btw, Has anyone done any GIS stuff (Geographical Information Systems) with IDL or WAVE? Current leader of the market ARC/INFO seems unwieldy. It strikes me that the philosophy of IDL or WAVE is perfect for handling spatial data that is basically arrays of points. (but you would need a Database part too).

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