
Subject: Object based/oriented IDL ? Ever likely ?
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I am very impressed with a number of features of IDL. However, I think that its lacking support for structure (primarily data structures) due to its historical affiliation with Fortran (no flames please). This weakness becomes noticable when you reach a 3,000+ line application (IMHO).

I think that a version of IDL using object based/oriented technology would be immensely powerful and would reach a far wider audience. Is there a desire for OO technology in the scientific community, or is Fortran still predominant ? Have RSI made any moves in this direction ?

Any news, views and gossip welcome ...

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