Subject: Re: Remotely running IDL on a Mac using X11 Posted by M. Katz on Sun, 21 Dec 2008 05:44:41 GMT

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Here's one possible commercial alternative:

If the Mac running IDL is running the Server version of OS X, you might be able to use Aqua Connect

http://www.aquaconnect.net/index.php

to serve Mac OS X to "thin clients" on any platform. It's different than VPN/Timbuktu/Apple Remote Desktop/etc. because the different users will *not* be sharing the same screen when both are logged in. I saw a demo of this program in action that was able to run on an iPhone (in addition to Windows, Linux, and Other Macs). One mode of this scheme is that an application, like a word processor, can be running just one time in memory, but multiple users would be using their own unique windows of the application.

Since I haven't used the program, I can't comment beyond the demo I saw.

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