Subject: New WAVE License manager sabotages old versions? Posted by grunes on Mon, 10 Jun 1996 07:00:00 GMT

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An odd thing has occurred here.

A new version of PV-WAVE with a floating license manager was installed on one computer. It works. But other computers on the local network running older versions of PV-WAVE are unable to run anymore.

This is potentially a very serious defect, since it is possible that other people on our local network might not want to update their systems or software.

Anyone have any comments/experience which will help us?

Would it not be wonderful if "someone" would write a free or shareware IDL/PV-WAVE clone? IDL/WAVE syntax is actually quite simple, and it would not be all that hard to get the basics, to which a variety of people could add embellishments. (I believe that there is a shareware MATLAB clone.)

Maybe RSI/VNI would get the idea that system administrators hate having to waste hundreds or thousands of hours/year dealing with their stupid license managers--especially since most Unix systems administrators are just individual users who do the minimum neccessary to get their machines running. Maybe RSI/VNI would do something about it in time for the freebee version people to stop wasting their time before going too far.

Or would that be too "mean"? (-: