Subject: Re: idl application generation question
Posted by David Fanning on Wed, 16 Jun 2010 17:22:44 GMT

a writes:

> mmm. i suspected as much. i have been scientific programming for
> years but only for myself and work. as far as making applications for
> others it's all new to me. can't be bothered to learn python. hate
> java etc. what's a man to do?

Well, "free" is easy enough. Just make an IDL save file
with all of your compiled procedures and functions. Then,
get your customer to download an IDL distribution. Not
exactly hassle free, because they have to register to
get behind the ITTVIS firewall, etc., but doable if they
have a morning free and nothing else to do.

Once they have done this, they have an IDL Virtual
Machine that can run your IDL save file. They will get
a splash-screen advertisement of IDL to start, but--hey,
it's free!

It's not too bad. Here is a (rather dated now) article
about how to create the needed save file for a Windows
application. UNIX is virtually the same.

   http://www.dfanning.com/tips/idl_icon.html

Cheers,

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