Subject: Re: Is there a cheap implementation of IDL
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In article <32776FA3.5444@ssec.wisc.edu>, Liam Gumley <liam.gumley@ssec.wisc.edu> writes:
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|> Ashley Unitt wrote:
|> > I want to be able to run IDL cheaply.
|> > Are there any shareware / freeware / cheap implementations available?
|>
[.snip..]
|> (2) There are a couple of formats that you *can* save to disk while
|> in demo mode. One of them is Postscript. The other is HDF (SDS mode
|> anyway). You can do a lot with just these two output formats - maybe
|> there are others that I don't know about - I discovered these by
|> accident.
|>
|> So give the IDL demo version a try. You might find you can do a lot
|> with it.

So, even if RSI closes the HDF loophole, the clever user simply
develops a routine to read back data *from* a PS-file, and voila, there
you have a fully-functional 7-minute version of IDL 8-)

Stein Vidar
(Sorry, I couldn't resist..)