Subject: Re: Is there a cheap implementation of IDL
Posted by Tim Patterson on Wed, 30 Oct 1996 08:00:00 GMT
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Stein Vidar Hagfors Haugan wrote:
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> In article <32776FA3.5444@ssec.wisc.edu>, Liam Gumley <liam.gumley@ssec.wisc.edu>
writes:
> |>
> |> 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..)

Is CALL_EXTERNAL still available in the demo mode (I forget!)
If so, there's another way to write out data!

 Tim