
Subject: Re: embedded IDL

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In article

<davidf-ya023080002305971658380001@news.frii.com>,

davidf@dfanning.com says...

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> R. Bauer <r.bauer@fz-juelich.de> writes:

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>> I know that's idl normally didn't build executables so I was surprised

>> reading from embedded Idl.

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>> What is the meaning of embedded IDL?

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> It is an IDL executable.

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>> Did it mean an executable IDL script?

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> No, this is a real executable, just like what you and everyone else wants to build.

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>> What will it cost?

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> More than you want to pay. :-)

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> RSI must do the embedding of IDL into your application.

> I hear this is "ridiculously expensive" to quote someone

> who wrote me about it just today. The general feeling is

> that if your are not also selling high-priced medical

> equipment or some other item in which you can bury the

> couple of hundred dollars cost, you will not be interested

> in this option.

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> (I'm making the numbers up, although I think I am not

> far off based on several recent conversations with

> disgruntled small-scale software developers. Check

> with your local IDL sales rep for the actual costs.)

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It is unfortunate that IDL is not (maybe they are ???) working on expanding this capability to more affordable and user developing option.

Mathworks (MATLAB) offer you their MATLAB C-library and C-compiler for reasonable cost and let you build an executable

yourself. It is still limited, but, I believe, it is a step in the right direction. I wish RSI were more aggressive in their competition and incorporated more of the obviously good ideas.

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