
Subject: Re: embedded IDL

Posted by [geir](#) on Tue, 27 May 1997 07:00:00 GMT

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I asked here in Italy (before reading your postings), the salesman told me it was possible to buy a runtime license of IDL for something like 900 000 Italian Lire (PC/Mac only, UNIX is more expensive). That should be something like US\$ 500 I think.

However, he also said that discount prices were available, without specifying anything more.

He also said that the functionality etc. is the same for the runtime license as for the normal IDL license.

He did not tell me that RSI had to embed IDL...

Is this runtime license the same as this 'embedded IDL'?

Does anybody know if they charge for doing this embedding in addition to the runtime license?

In article <1997May26.132937.26628@roper.uwyo.edu> haimov@uwyo.edu (Samuel Haimov) writes:

> 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.
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> 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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