
Subject: Re: Is ANA dead?

Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Fri, 12 Oct 2001 18:35:51 GMT

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Aaron Birenboim <aaron@boim.com> writes:

- > Is ANA dead? (It is/was a free alternative to IDL)
- > The Lockheed WWW sites seem to have dropped it.
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- > If it is dead, is there another IDL/MatLab/PV-Wave like
- > free alternative that seems to have widespread support?
- > (I want high-likelihood that the package will be around
- > in a few years)

I salvaged the ANA 3 downloads and copied them to my personal FTP area. You can find them here:

<ftp://cow.physics.wisc.edu/pub/craigm/ana/ana3.tar.gz> Main prog
<ftp://cow.physics.wisc.edu/pub/craigm/ana/anadoc3.tar.gz> Documentation

Another IDL-like language is Yorick. The author, Dave Munro, seems to have gone to a good effort to optimize the mathematical operations for speed. However, your IDL scripts will not transfer over directly because the language is not exactly the same. In fact, there are a lot of language elements that Yorick has that would be very nice to transfer over to IDL. Here is the main page for Yorick.

<ftp://wuarchive.wustl.edu/languages/yorick/yorick-ad.html>

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