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Subject: Yet another alternative to IDL/MATLAB

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Hi all,

I really don't want to start this debate (again). I did, nevertheless, stumble across a useful package that offers similar functionality to IDL/MATLAB that some of you may be interested in. The package is called Ch, and is a superset of C/C++ that presents a relatively sane command line interpreter. Code can also be compiled.

The best part (IMHO) is that the standard package is FREE for students, instructors and non-profit organizations. Admittedly, the free version does not support graphics, but all of the computational functionality remains. The professional version (i.e. including graphics) is available to students at a discounted price of \$99 USD.

Details at: <http://www.softintegration.com/>

Cheers,  
Randall

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