
Subject: Re: IDL for Windows 3.0: Any more info?
Posted by [thompson](#) on Thu, 19 Mar 1992 22:03:00 GMT
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In article <18MAR92.21482584@skyfox.usask.ca>, howp@skyfox.usask.ca writes...

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I have seen an alpha version of IDL for Windows, and it looked pretty good. It made a lot of difference which computer it was running on. It was a lot faster on a 486 than on a 386. My understanding was that this was largely because the 386 did not have a math co-processor. I don't know what the marketing situation is.

Bill

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We are now testing an alpha version of IDL on a 383 PC running MS-DOS Windows 3. The current version doesn't have the widgets toolkit but the next(?) version will. We haven't used the PC version very much yet since we are too busy developing code with a workstation version of IDL. You should wait for RSI to release the official version to avoid some of the bugs detected with the PC version so far.

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