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Subject: PV-Wave vs. ?

Posted by [redquill](#) on Wed, 13 Jul 1994 14:08:51 GMT

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Please excuse a novice to the newsgroup...

I've gotten tired of writing visualization code (and analysis code for that matter) and have just started looking at commercial packages.

I've used IDL many,many years ago, so i'm familiar with what it used to be able to do. I've seen demos and tried very briefly to use PV-Wave (a few years ago).

I'm also done a little of looking at a package called AVS (which is a slightly different kind of animal). I have used Maple and Mathematica.

Surely here must be a reason you folks have picked PV-Wave (or IDL) over some of these other packages.

Feedback and comments on your experiences would be greatly appreciated!

[If there's a PV-WAVE sale rep listening - please drop me a note also, my rolodex was lost in my move - Thanks!]

Dave

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Subject: Re: PV-Wave vs. ?

Posted by [hewat](#) on Sun, 17 Jul 1994 08:41:45 GMT

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In article <300shj\$qt8@mack.einet.com>  
redquill@mack.einet.com (Dr. Dave Robinson) writes:

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The answer must be, if you can do it with a ready made package (and there are now quite a few, AVS, SGI-Explorer etc), then you shouldn't waste your time writing your own code. You have to look carefully at these other packages (and they keep improving) and only you will know if they can't already do what you want.

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