
Subject: Market for an IDL to Java Translator?

Posted by [CyclingGuy](#) on Mon, 30 Jul 2007 19:11:37 GMT

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I'm trying to gauge the need for an IDL to Java Translator.

My proposed translator would take IDL source code and produce Java Source code. Initially (at least), it would be limited to IDL code that contained no GUI widgets and made no calls to shared libraries.

My thought is to offer the translator as a service rather than a product. A customer would upload their code to a web site, and get back a trial jar file (a java executable that would run for a limited period of time) in return. If they were satisfied with the execution of the jar file (correctness and speed), they would be able to purchase the generated Java source code.

My questions are (to those that would be interested in such a service):

- 1) How many lines of code do you have that you would be interested in converting to Java?
- 2) Would you be interested in this service if it was offered if it was offered at a price of \$0.10/line of code?
- 3) ... at a price of \$0.05/line of code?
- 4) ... at a price of \$0.02/line of code?
- 5) ... at a price of \$0.01/line of code?
- 6) Would you be more interested in an IDL to C translator?

Thank you,
Eric.

Subject: Re: Market for an IDL to Java Translator?

Posted by [R.G.Stockwell](#) on Wed, 01 Aug 2007 01:53:40 GMT

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"CyclingGuy" <ericdavies@netzero.net> wrote in message
news:1185822697.104928.279940@e16g2000pri.googlegroups.com...
> I'm trying to gauge the need for an IDL to Java Translator.

Exactly how much effort do you estimate this would require?
(in man-years for instance).

Cheers,
bob
