
Subject: Re: What IS PV-WAVE??

Posted by [buurlm](#) on Thu, 13 Apr 1995 07:00:00 GMT

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I think I've seen this in the/a FAQ somewhere. PV-WAVE bought the source code from IDL some years back, and since then the two products have diverged somewhat. PV-WAVE is not an "overlay" for IDL.

I don't know about IDL, but PV-WAVE has partnered with a number of companies eg. IMSL and MAPLE, which may be what your colleague referred to. Hard to say without knowing the functionality you are trying to implement.

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Anders M Jorgensen (anders@uss-enterprise.bu.edu) wrote:

: HI there,

: I have been using IDL for about 2 years now (and gotten quite good at
: it :-). A week ago I was at a meeting where writing data analysis software
: in IDL was discussed - subjects were to create general data analysis
: software using widgets as a graphical user interface.

: Someone in the meeting claimed that we were wasting our time, and that the
: software we wanted to write had already been written for IDL, and was
: called PV-WAVE. What he claimed was that PV-WAVE is an overlay for IDL that
: will do all this data analysis stuff.

: I have had the understanding that PV-WAVE is just a sister of IDL, and that
: they were - some years back - the same language, and PV-WAVE is today
: nothing other than another programming language. Can anyone enlighten me
: here? Am I right, or is he right?

: Thanks,
: ---anders

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