

Subject: Re: PC-IDL  
Posted by [strebel](#) on Thu, 03 Sep 1992 01:01:34 GMT  
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IDL has already been released for the PC, for how much I don not know. I am told that it runs pretty fast!

stephen S

Subject: Re: PC-IDL  
Posted by [zawodny](#) on Thu, 03 Sep 1992 11:24:10 GMT  
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The price I've seen for PC-IDL is \$1500.00 . Yes I said one thousand five hundred american dollars! That is for a beta test version for windows with a copy of the first "official" release when it becomes available. I've seen it run and it is pleasingly fast on a 33MHz 386. I do not think it is going to get a wide market share at that price however. There are enough die hard IDLers out there like myself who will buy it though, and I'm sure after a few hundred of us pay the developement costs or the PV people get theirs going and start a price war the price will come down.

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Subject: Re: PC-IDL  
Posted by [isaacman](#) on Thu, 03 Sep 1992 21:54:00 GMT  
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In article <Bu02CA.Hzt@news.larc.nasa.gov>, zawodny@arbd0.larc.nasa.gov (Dr. Joseph M Zawodny) writes...

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We are running an alpha version on PC's on the COBE project at NASA and it is very impressive. Don't expect competition with PV to bring the price down, though: PV has no plans to port to DOS. On the other hand, if you buy 10 or more copies then the price comes down to \$900...(gulp).

Rich Isaacman