
Subject: Re: PV-Wave Point & Click Version
Posted by [pjclinch](#) on Thu, 27 May 1993 09:41:53 GMT
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Howard Dickerman (t-howard@microsoft.com) wrote:
: I would appreciate hearing from persons who have used
: the Point & Click version of the PV-Wave product. I
: am interested in knowing if this version requires a
: similiar level of sophistication as that required for
: the Command Language version, or if it is really much
: easier to use. Also, I would like to know if Point &
: Click users have found that this version was in some
: way inadequate for their application. Thanks.

I've dallied briefly with it in demo mode, but have abandoned evaluation in favour of the CL version and IDL. It seems pretty good, but is only really designed for out of the box use rather than application development. When chatting with PVI staff about what I wanted to do (develop my own apps for getting data out of MRI volumes), they said I'd be better off with CL over P&C. Best way is to get a demo from PVI: 30 days free evaluation with all the manual sets, just drop them a line.

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I have dabbled briefly with PC, and found it somewhat lacking for my needs. There are a couple of people here that use it, though (we have both Wave CL and PC). I would say that PC is great for those who want to do simple kinds of plots, and don't really care about too much customization. Or for those who need PV-Wave like features only once every couple of months or so. It really is much easier to use if you don't know CL. I found PC tiring - dragging that mouse around when I knew how simple my task would be if only I could type it in.

Paraphrased from the PV Wave CL Training class notes:

- Wave CL is a command level interactive system. It's also a programming language.
- Wave PC is for the non-programmer, is easy to learn, and has about 80% of CL's functionality.

If you're using Wave for daily analysis or visualization, and desire to customize things for your data, plot style, etc., you probably need CL. If you have someone

in your group with a programmers bent, they could make a WaveWidget GUI in CL to make your customized applications easy as PC to use.

However, I would suggest calling up Visual Numerics for a free demo copy of one or the other. That's the best way to find out what's right for you.

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