Subject: IDL Book Rocketing Up the Charts! Posted by davidf on Thu, 10 Dec 1998 08:00:00 GMT

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Hi Folks,

I just had another look at Amazon.com and my IDL Programming Techniques book is rocketing to the top of the charts. It's now the 394,867th most popular book on the site! (Up from 785,368th just a couple of weeks ago.)

Even better news: Amazon just ordered some books from me. :-)

But I could still use a few more book reviews. I'm thinking that surely someone, somewhere has read the darn thing. Or at least a couple of chapters. Enough, say, to make a cogent comment or two. I would greatly appreciate it.

Simply go to Amazon.com and search for "IDL Programming Techniques":

http://www.amazon.com/

In all seriousness, I've sold far more books this year than I thought I would and I am very, very thankful for the people on this newsgroup who have either purchased books or who encouraged others to purchase them. I am also thankful for those of you who have sent me corrections and other suggestions for improvements. Thank you all.

I'm especially thankful to the people who are courageous enough to ask questions on this newsgroup. Books would not get written, believe me, without you prodding us all along. It has been my great privilege to try to answer some of those questions and to learn from the many, many fine folks who share both their time and expertise on this newsgroup.

In the spirit of the Holidays (and to clear a bit of space for the tree in the family room) I've decided to offer the book at a 20% discount from now until the end of the year for anyone who mentions the IDL newsgroup when they order. If you always wait for the Christmas specials, here is your chance...

These books make great stocking stuffers for that special IDL programmer in your office. :-)

Happy Holidays!

David

P.S. I just had a look at the calendar today and I realized it has been two years to the day that I have been gainfully unemployed. Wow! Time sure flies when you are having fun. :-)

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