

IDL DISCOUNT
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The IUE Regional Data Analysis Facility (RDAF) software and the new IUE Remote Observing software package are both coded in the Interactive Data Language (IDL). IUE researchers who wish to use the IUE RDAF software and/or the IUE Remote Observing software from their home institutions must first purchase IDL from Research Systems, Inc. (RSI). Unfortunately, the IDL pricing structure underwent a significant increase on April 1, 1992. Therefore, in order to make IDL more affordable to IUE researchers, the IUE Project has entered into an agreement with Research Systems, Inc., to make IDL available at a discount. A discount of 50% is available to IUE researchers from a University that would otherwise qualify for RSI's educational discount. A discount of 40% is available to other individuals "associated" with the IUE Project (e.g. IUE researchers employed by a GSFC contractor would be eligible for the 40% discount). Note that this discount does not apply to IUE for the Convex, IDL for Windows (i.e. for a PC), or to IMSL/IDL licenses. This special discount expires on September 18, 1993, but may be renegotiated if there is sufficient interest.

To qualify for the discount, you must obtain a letter authorizing the discount from the IUE Project. This letter must then be submitted to RSI along with the IDL purchase order. It also helps to annotate the purchase order directly with "special IUE Project discount of 50%". Please contact Mr. Randy Thompson (301-286-8800, IUE::RTHOMPSON) at the GSFC RDAF for a copy of this letter and for further information about the IUE RDAF software. Contact Dr. Ronald Pitts for further information on the IUE Remote Observing package. Note that the IUE RDAF software and the IUE remote observing software are available for VAX/VMS and SUN/UNIX systems. For further IDL information, contact Mr. David Fanning:

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Summary IDL Prices:

	List	50%	40%
Single-user, node- locked	\$3,000	\$1,500	\$1,800
Floating network	\$3,750	\$1,875	\$2,250
Multi-user, node-locked	\$7,500	\$3,750	\$4,500
(up to 6 concurrent users)			
Unlimited-user, node-locked	\$15,000	\$7,500	\$9,000