IRAF and STSDAS Under the New ALPHA Architecture

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Digital's next generation RISC architecture --- known as ALPHA---presents many IRAF system portability questions and challenges to both site managers and end users. DEC promises to support the ULTRIX, VMS, and OSF/1 operating systems, which should allow IRAF to be ported to the new architecture at either the program executable level (using VEST), or at the source level, where IRAF can be tuned for greater performance. These notes highlight some of the details of porting IRAF to OpenVMS on the ALPHA architecture.