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Subject: Re: making movies in idl  
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Joseph

The new version of write\_gif in IDL5 does allow the cration of GIF89a's with multiple images per file.

For MPEGs and the like, I usually use one of the "standard" MPEG creation C routines (there are several on the net for unix) and use a shell script to send in the filenames of my IDL generated GIFs (or whatever).

I seem to remember someone posted a nice IDL "wrapper" script a while back to do all this for you, but I never saved it :-(

I suggested to RSI they might want to add a save-as-movie-file feature to IDL but is ain't there yet (except for the GIFs).

Good luck!

Ian

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> I have a set of IDL generated images that show how a two-dimensional  
> system changes as a parameter is varied, and I want to make an  
> animation that can go on a web page. How would I go about doing that  
> in IDL? A mult-image gif file would probably work nicely, but IDL's  
> write\_gif routine only makes single image files.  
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> Thanks for you feedback!  
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