Subject: Re: Vertices and Polygons
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Larry Busse < ljb@ljbdev.com > writes:

- > I have an N-element list of vertices v(3,N) which describe a series of
- > points on a surface of a complex object.
- > Is there an IDL function or method which would sort through this list
- > and generate the polygon array that is required by POLYSHADE for doing
- > surface rendering?

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- > It's been awhile since I've used IDL so maybe there's a newer object
- > oriented approach that you could recommend.

I don't think that a simple list of vertices is enough information to reconstruct a complex polyhedron, especially if there are some concavities. [If you want the complex hull, that's a different story, but as Chris J. reports, this may not even work right. Doh!]

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