Subject: Re: Delayed plotting in object graphics Posted by Mark Hadfield on Thu, 14 Dec 2000 22:18:44 GMT

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"Mark Hadfield" <m.hadfield@niwa.cri.nz> wrote in message news:976672336.180471@clam-ext...

- > "Ben Tupper" <pemaguidriver@tidewater.net> wrote in message
- > news:3A36BBD9.1A4F589C@tidewater.net...
- >> Hello.

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- >> I am converting some 2d direct graphics to object graphics.
- >> Past users of the program producing the graphics have wanted
- >> to plot the points in 'slow motion'. That was easy to brute
- >> force a lag using PLOTS and WAIT in a loop. Is there a way
- >> of doing this with object graphics?

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> Hmmm. Interesting. Some ideas:

One more idea: I have added a CUMULATIVE property to my MGHgrAnimator class. Setting this property to an integer n greater than 1 causes n-1 frames to be displayed in addition to the current one. Setting it to a negative value causes *all* frames up to the current one to be displayed. Thus this allows interactively controlled, progressive display of a cloud of points. The value of the CUMULATIVE property can be changed at any time.

See http://katipo.niwa.cri.nz/~hadfield/gust/software/idl/

Performance is limited by the speed with which the scene can be drawn. With each data point in a separate atom like this, drawing speed becomes very slow when the number of points displayed at each time exceeds a few hundred.

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