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Subject: Re: why is using objects so much slower ?  
Posted by [Martin Schultz](#) on Mon, 09 Apr 2001 08:11:54 GMT  
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Henkie wrote:

>  
> Hi,  
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> because I love object oriented programming, I decided to try the objects in  
> IDL too. However, when using the objects to plot some of my stuff, it  
> turned out to be soooooo sloooow. [...] [/color]

Well, this is not the objects, but the rendering in the IDL object graphics routines. At RSI they apparently have the idea that no later than 2 years from now everyone will sit in front of a machine with a sophisticated 3D rendering engine (and that all the Linuxes will by then support 3D rendering natively ;-). May still be that direct graphics is a little faster for certain applications. I'd dare to postulate the following theorem:  
the more you care about individual pixels or line fragments, the directer your graphics should be.

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