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Subject: Re: Testers needed for TV benchmark  
Posted by [Liam E. Gumley](#) on Wed, 08 Aug 2001 18:24:06 GMT  
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"Bill B." wrote:

> I've been working at trying to get the fastest TV update rate possible  
> and am a little discouraged by my results so far. I developed a short  
> benchmark program and am curious what results might be obtained by  
> other machines. I have a P3-550 and obtained the following:  
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> TV-Device Copy Test: Array Size: 512 13.520000 seconds  
> => Frames/sec: 3.6982249 Frame time: 0.27040000  
> Video Xfer rate: 2908402.4 bytes/sec  
>  
> TV Direct Test: Array Size: 512 13.290000 seconds =>  
> Frames/sec: 3.7622272 Frame time: 0.26580000  
> Video Xfer rate: 2958735.9 bytes/sec  
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> If your time permits, I would appreciate knowing anyone else's results  
> and a brief mention of the computer used. My benchmarks were  
> identical for IDL 5.2 and 5.3.1. Thanks in advance.

Bill,

To obtain the best frame rate for animations, first you should display all the images in a pixmap window, and \*then\* use DEVICE, COPY to copy each image to a visible graphics window. I'm willing to bet you'll get frame rates better than 10 frames/sec using this method.

Cheers,  
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