
Subject: Re: Create DXF file out of vertices and connectivities

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> Hello,  
> I have following problem: I created the mesh structure of a volume with  
> INTERVAL_VOLUME, which gives me vertices (3,n) and connectivities (1,m).  
> When I display it with XOBJVIEW, I get a wonderful 3d structure. How do I  
> create a DXF file that contains the mesh structure ?  
> I know that it works with an IDLffDXF object. I tried that with following  
> code:  
>  
> ptr_verts = ptr_new(Verts)  
> ptr_conn = ptr_new(Conn)  
>  
> oDXF = OBJ_NEW('IDLffDXF')  
> poly = {IDL_DXF_POLYGON}  
> poly.vertices = ptr_verts  
> poly.connectivity = ptr_conn  
> poly.dxf_type = 10  
>  
> oDXF->PutEntity, poly  
> IF (not oDXF->Write('Mesh_Model.dxf')) THEN PRINT, 'Write Failed.'  
> OBJ_DESTROY, oDXF  
>  
> It creates a DXF file, but when I open the file with AutoCAD, it seems to  
> connect all the point in a strange way.  
> Is there anyone who has an idea ?
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INTERVAL_VOLUME returns a list of vertices and a connectivity list that represents tetrahedra (3D pyramid-like objects). If you used this vertex list and this connectivity list to create an IDLgrPolygon that you then displayed in XOBJVIEW, you should have seen quite a mess - or you got very lucky.

You should use TETRA_SURFACE to create a polygonal surface from the tet mesh that you can then display in XOBJVIEW and put into DXF.

So, if INTERVAL_VOLUME returns Verts and Conn, then

```
NewConn = TETRA_SURFACE(Verts, Conn)
```

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XOBJVIEW, OBJ_NEW('IDLgrPolygon', Verts, POLYGONS=NewConn....
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