
Subject: Re: ION script - true colour

Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Wed, 12 Apr 2006 05:55:56 GMT

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Kenneth Bowman <k-bowman@null.tamu.edu> writes:

> In article <e1g669\$sm1\$1@aplcore.jhuapl.edu>,

> "Haje Korth" <haje.korth@nospam.jhuapl.edu> wrote:

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>> Ken,

>> While my server runs on unix, I do the development under Windows, where the

>> work around is unfortunately no good. However, as the code has grown I

>> actually appreciate some other features of object graphics, such as alpha

>> blending which I use frequently. While alpha blending is only a simple line

>> of code, the keyword solution is pretty slick.

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>> Haje

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> Not that anyone in their right mind would want to do this ;-), but is it

> possible to run IDL on Windows and use the X device?

One can use the "virtual frame buffer" X server (Xvfb), which emulates an X head without actually needing a display. We use it some for this kind of thing where an unattended task needs to make X graphical output. It's not always installed with Linux, but my recent installs of Mac OS X and Fedora had them.

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