Subject: Re: Animations to mpeg/fli Posted by Andreas Oberreuter on Thu, 07 Dec 1995 08:00:00 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

- > Can anyone tell me whether it is possible to generate an mpeg or fli format
- > animation files from IDL. If not in IDL then is it possible to do this
- > externally ie using another piece of software.

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> Anyone who has done this or has any information about this, please contact me.

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> Thanks in advance.

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> Matt

Hallo Matt!

I think I have something You can use to do this job.

A few years ago I wrote a x_movie.pro, which allows to read images of all image-formats supported by IDL and to animate them. Instead of animating them You can convert them to all image-formats IDL knows. A few formats are included by myself, because IDL doesn't know FLI and SunRasterFiles with compressed mode. FLI is only in an input mode, but when You read the part of x_movie.pro which is reading the FLI-image, You will surely be able to write FLI-Files by Yourself.

Another method could be to take the XFLICK-Tool, which allows to visualize weather-cards (i.e from Edinburgh) in fli-Format. By the help of Michael Pall from University of Karlsruhe (Germany), I got a deflick-Tool, which is able to separate each image in a fli-movie on a single file. In XFLICK and DEFLICK You will find C-routines, which allow to access FLI-image-Files (WRITE/READ). But I use all of them a few years ago and only for a short time. I am not an expert on this area.

If You are interested in this tools, please send me a mail.

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