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Subject: IDL and OpenGL

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Hi all,

I have been using IDL to develop a Google Earth type application for the past one year and have been pretty successful in doing so. But the application is not as fast as I would like it to be. I believe I have removed all the programming bottlenecks that might slow my program down(Avoiding loops, using small tiles of images etc..ad infinitum). I was wondering if leaning more on OpenGL might be of some help.

Now, I am aware that IDL already uses OpenGL for many of its tasks-but exactly what tasks it does using OpenGL is not transparent (at least to me). Can anyone suggest me ways to get on if I want to access the OpenGL library of functions using IDL-the way they do it using C, C++, VB or VB.NET.

I would like to keep my discussion open ended and would welcome any advice related to the matter-be it OpenGL+IDL or making my program faster otherwise.

Cheers!

Gaurav

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