
Subject: Re: Some AVI bother...

Posted by [Peter Clinch](#) on Wed, 30 Apr 2008 13:15:25 GMT

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Peter Clinch wrote:

- > Following my dumb Q about MPEGs a couple of days ago it was suggested
- > I'd be better off with AVIs, so I've moved on to AVIs and picked up Ronn
- > Kling's AVI code from <http://www.kilvarock.com/freesoftware/dlms/dlms.htm>
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- > It seems to do the generate test okay, and subsequently read back the
- > avi it generated, but everything goes pear-shaped and IDL crashes
- > horribly if I try to import a short AVI I've just saved from a movie
- > capture program called PowerDirector, using the maximum quality option.
- > That movie plays okay in VLC and Windows Media Player.
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- > It falls over reproducibly on different machines, and as well as 7.0 I
- > loaded up a copy of 6.3 just to make sure nothing had changed in IDL to
- > break it.

never did fix it, despite trying lots of alternative codecs and options, so who knows...? However, I did find an alternative which is an AVI reader for ImageJ which lets me save everything out as individual images, so it's one step extra but /relatively/ painless and if anyone else is suffering with AVIs this is one way around.

With a bit of luck Ron's revised version will help troubleshoot it when it's out.

Pete.

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