
Subject: Re: Cropping of IDLgrVolume?

Posted by [Karl Schultz](#) on Fri, 31 Jan 2003 18:08:15 GMT

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"Sebastian" <s@visita2.die.upm.es> wrote in message
news:Pine.LNX.4.44.0301311717440.9316-100000@visita2.die.upm.es...

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- > somewhere in my original volume.

The planes can be positioned anywhere.

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Posted by [s\[1\]](#) on Mon, 03 Feb 2003 09:17:34 GMT

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That's exactly what I want. The only way to do this seem to store the volume data, create a cut-off mask of the same size as the volume, and create a temporary cut volume by multiplying the original volume with the cut-off mask.

Not very elegant, but works (I was surprised how fast the multiplication is).

BTW, what I wanted to render is something like this:

<http://www.uke.uni-hamburg.de/institute/imdm/idv/forschung/vm/images/brainbloodsupplyareas.gif>

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That's just the problem with cutting planes: They always cut the volumes in half spaces because you cannot restrict their size.

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