
Subject: Re: IDL Array Push
Posted by [Aram Panasenco](#) on Mon, 05 Apr 2010 04:41:26 GMT
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Edit: Added a ROW keyword:
<http://idl.pastebin.com/8cZfEBc1>

Subject: Re: IDL Array Push
Posted by [James\[2\]](#) on Mon, 05 Apr 2010 16:23:09 GMT
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[[array2]]]?

Subject: Re: IDL Array Push
Posted by [Aram Panasenco](#) on Mon, 05 Apr 2010 17:36:55 GMT
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On Apr 5, 9:23 am, James <donje...@gmail.com> wrote:
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facedesk

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Posted by [Jeremy Bailin](#) on Tue, 06 Apr 2010 10:52:37 GMT
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Posted by [Aram Panasenco](#) on Tue, 06 Apr 2010 18:23:55 GMT

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On Apr 6, 3:52 am, Jeremy Bailin <astroco...@gmail.com> wrote:

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Wow, that's a great idea! It makes my code looks so much cleaner.

Compare:

```
polyPts = vertices[0:1,0]
```

```
polyPts = [[polyPts],[cartPts1]]
```

```
polyPts = [[polyPts],[vertices[0:1,1]]]
```

and

```
push, polyPts, vertices[0:1,0]
```

```
push, polyPts, cartPts1
```

```
push, polyPts, vertices[0:1,1]
```

Here's the new code: <http://idl.pastebin.com/B0gm95pW>

~Aram Panasenco
