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Posted by [davidf](#) on Mon, 27 Jul 1998 07:00:00 GMT

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Mirko Vukovic (mvukovic@my-dejanews.com) writes:

- > It looks like the IDLgrTEXT may have an answer with the ONGLASS property.
- > Have not tried that one (or any of the oog stuff) yet.

I think (I haven't tried it really either) that ONGLASS is similar to using hardware fonts in direct graphics. Yes, it makes the text visible, but you lose the rotational capability. I think you can probably have one or the other, but not both together.

If I'm wrong, I trust someone will correct me. ;-)

Cheers,

David

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In article <MPG.102638d45d531a8f989814@news.frii.com>,

[davidf@dfanning.com](mailto:davidf@dfanning.com) (David Fanning) wrote:

- > Holger Schaal ([hschaal@gwdg.de](mailto:hschaal@gwdg.de)) writes:

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- >> potential at the interface ATR-crystal/sample for different angles of
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stuff deleted

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mirko

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Holger Schaal wrote a question I can't answer, but I would like to  
show you something completely different -

Here are nine lines of his code which can completely substituted  
by one line

```
> E_y0_thick = fltarr(74, 9)
> i = 0
> j = 0
> For i = 0,73,1 do begin
> For j = 0,8,1 do begin
> y = 2. * cos(x[i]) / sqrt(1. - n_21[j]^2)
> E_y0_thick[i,j]=y
> endfor
> endfor
```

This is the one line that does the same thing ;-)

```
E_y0_thick = 2. * cos(x) # (1. / sqrt(1. - n_21^2))
```

Best regards  
Kevin

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I can't think of any way to solve this text rotation problem without adding the textual annotation yourself, (e.g., with XYOutS) which almost certainly will be a frustrating and difficult exercise.

Let me recommend an alternative. If you make it easy for the user to rotate the surface interactively, then the annotations will not be as much of a problem as they are in a fixed view. A program like XSURFACE, which you can download from my web page, would make this possible.

This does not, of course, solve the problem of \*printing\* the results, but it is difficult for me to see how the antagonistic goals of rotatable 3D text and always-readable text can both be obtained.

Cheers,

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