
Subject: Re: contour and backingstore

Posted by [davidf](#) on Mon, 18 May 1998 07:00:00 GMT

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R. Bauer (r.bauer@fz-juelich.de) writes:

- > I have a problem sometimes with contour.
- > The contour is working well but sometimes it seems to me that some parts
- > are not contoured correctly on screen.
- > By chance I have seen if I move an other window like idlde it erases the
- > wrong "colors".

I don't understand this problem. Does this machine have
a 24-bit graphics card?

- > The better way will be to use the backingstore directly.

Set the RETAIN flag to 2 either on the window used for the
contour plot:

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IDL> Window, Retain=2
```

Or, for all windows:

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IDL> Device, Retain=2
```

This causes IDL to take control of the backing store. You
can also do it yourself with a pixmap and the Device Copy
technique if you wish, although this is more easily done
in a draw widget window.

Cheers,

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