Subject: Re: X Windows Graphics under RH Linux 5.2
Posted by thompson on Mon, 19 Apr 1999 07:00:00 GMT

Steven Riley <sedm0826@sable.ox.ac.uk> writes:

> I'm currently playing with IDL and trying to persuade my department to
> purchase a copy. It doesn't seem to want to maintain its images in X
> Windows. The charts go to the graphics window initially, but they wiull
> never be updated, even to the point that if the window is minimised when
> you plot initially the chart will not appear when you maximise.

> Is this a problem with the demo mode (IDL 5.1 BTW), in which case I think
> its bringing cripple-ware to a whole new level, or can I expect it to
> persist even if we invest in the package.

It sounds like you're having problems with the backing store. If you use the
command

 DEVICE, RETAIN=2

before creating any windows, then this problem should go away.

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