
Subject: Re: 24 vs 8 bit color systems

Posted by [Phillip David](#) on Wed, 17 Jan 2001 22:55:16 GMT

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Jason;

I know I still support a large number of users using 8-bit color...
I don't know how common that is.

Phillip

"Jason P. Meyers" wrote:

>
> Hello All,
>
> This is a bit of a departure from the normal request for help. I am
> getting ready to begin designing (aka programming) my final project for
> my IDL programming class. I have read through Dave Fanning's book and
> since I wasn't sleeping, Dave's not so subtle message about differences
> between 8 and 24 bit displays became apparent. :-)
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> However, (and this is the point of this post) I got to wondering just
> how much of an issue this really is in today's environment. I suspect,
> and would like feedback, that it is rather uncommon now-a-days to find
> an IDL user who is working on an 8-bit color display. I assume that if
> one can afford IDL, then one can also afford a "decent" graphics card.
> I ask this question, because I would like to make the going in
> assumption that the user of my project will be working on a 24 bit
> system. Is this a "bad" assumption to make (i.e. are there still a
> significant number of users still running on 8 bit systems?)
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> Thanks in advance,
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