
Subject: Re: off-white background in IDL-generated bitmaps
Posted by nobody@nowhere.com (S on Thu, 18 Apr 2002 17:34:29 GMT
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Thanks David! So I am correct that it is an indexing problem, apparently encountered before. Many bows and endless adulation, you are a tremendous source of IDL knowledge! I'll give the Cube=6 a try and see if it helps, thanks again!

On Thu, 18 Apr 2002 11:21:21 -0600, David Fanning <david@dfanning.com> wrote:

> Hi Steve Smith<steven_smith>, you write:

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>> I generated some bitmap images (GIF, BMP) using IDL
>> and tvrd, they look good on the screen, but when inserted into MS-WORD
>> documents, the formerly white background becomes somewhat darkened or
>> shaded and stands off from the white page background. Is there a 'trick'
>> to make a bitmap image in IDL (with white background) that won't do
>> this? I suspect it has something to do with color indexing, so perhaps
>> someone will say 'use a non-indexed image format'. I do need compression,
>> and since the bitmaps have text in them, JPEG usually isn't a good idea.
>> Ideally, a vector-drawn text combined with the bitmapped portion of the
>> figure would be best, but I'm not aware of a way to do this in IDL. I'm
>> using idl 5.2, by the way. thanks for any suggestions!

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> Here is an article that explains what is going on and how
> to correct it:

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> http://www.dfanning.com/color_tips/gif_gray.html

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> Cheers,

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> David

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