
Subject: Convert_Coords for map gives many 'error messages'?

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Hi,

we're implementing a piece of IDL code where multiple windows are used to visualise different parts of the data at the same time.

The windows are individual draw_widgets. The active window is determined by the cursor position. This cursor position is being tracked and printed if the motion_events for that draw_widget are enabled (really much like one of the example IDL programs...). Two problems remain...

1) If I move the cursor to a MAP, convert_coords returns only NaNs, until I redraw the map. It's not !P or so, I've stored and restored those (I think...). What can be the problem?

2) Convert_coords returns the string 'Program caused arithmetic error: Floating illegal operand', if I move the cursor into the title field or so.

Of course I could just not call Convert_coords for event.x < 10 and event.x > eg 400, but I don't know how many lines (hence pixels) the titlefield will be... Is it possible to call Convert_coords in 'Silent mode', ie to let it NOT return error messages?

The source code is quite much, hence I did not strip down the code to shown the exact 'how-I-did-it', if needed, I can post parts of the relevant code.

Thanks in advance for all help,

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