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Subject: Re: IDLgrROIgroup woes  
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On Mon, 9 Sep 2002 07:01:05 -0600, David Fanning <david@dfanning.com> wrote:

>> So, have I bumped into a bug or am I trying to misuse the  
>> IDLgrROIgroup?  
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> I think you have discovered an undocumented feature! :-)  
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> It doesn't surprise me that ROIs in an ROI-group have  
> to be the same type. There are operations you want to  
> apply to the group (e.g., through the IDLanROIgroup  
> object) such as computing masks, etc. that would be  
> impossible given contained ROIs of different types.  
>  
> If you just want a convenient place to store these  
> objects, and you don't have any intention of using  
> the ROIgroup properties, you can use an IDL\_CONTAINER,  
> of course.  
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Hi and thanks,

Ah! He jauntily juts out his chins and ventures forth into unknown territory!

I see what you mean about some of the computations... and that makes sense. This issue has surfaced before for me. I'm handed a number of contours in X,Y, Value format. These I must display (including labels) without the benefit of calling CONTOUR - since I have these contours in hand. Usually it's a no brainer - just call PLOTS - but where to put the labels? Legends are the solution but not necessarily the one I hoped for. Plus, I want them to be available for object and direct graphics in one convenient bundle. I was hoping that IDLgrROIgroup would allow me to organize the contours for given contour Values together. I think you are right that I should organize these in my own Container... in this case, an IDLgrModel I suspect. That way the user can turn various contour Values on/off via the HIDE property, and I can simply stuff them into an IDLgrView for object graphics.

This is one of those times when I wish I could make the map transformations work in object graphics. I keep thinking that a programmer could set up the map transforms in a hidden DG window - then copy the scaling and offsets into a OG destination... it seems so

simple in my daydreams!

Thanks again,  
Ben

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