
Subject: Re: Map transparent image

Posted by [Andy Loughe \(remove\)](#) on Tue, 01 Jul 2003 14:46:32 GMT

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Can this be accomplished by...

- (1) preparing the image to be created, like via map_set.
- (2) using polyfill or another technique to draw the (lightly colored) mask.
- (3) "overplotting" with the data values included, then adding continents, grids, etc.

... or maybe your needs are more complex than this.

Haje Korth wrote:

- > Good morning everyone,
- > I am trying to overlay a grey-shaded mask over an image to indicate areas
- > where sample data are less reliable. However, I want the grey shaded area to
- > be transparent so that I can still see the underlying data points. I do not
- > want to use 'contour' since the results look rather confusing; too many
- > patches. As far as I can see, the IDL map_image command does not provide
- > such settings. Does anyone know, how the mask can be worked into the image
- > prior to display? What is the math that one would apply?
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- > Thanks for helping,
- > Haje
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