
Subject: Re: Changing the Colour Table for RGB images on Linux/Solaris
Posted by [Philip Kershaw](#) on Fri, 26 Mar 2004 16:49:50 GMT
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Your solution is the same as a colleague of mine had tried. I will go with that. - It confirms things + from your explanation it makes more sense.

I did want to avoid actually altering the image but I can make a temporary copy so it's not really a problem. I'm only displaying the image viewport at any one time so it takes up little extra memory.

Thanks for your help,
Phil

"David Fanning" <david@dfanning.com> wrote in message
news:MPG.1acdf1f2f128526e989718@news.frii.com...

> David Fanning writes:

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>> Philip Kershaw writes:

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>>> When I alter the colour table I re-display the image using

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>>> TV, image, True=3

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>> Oh, the substituted TVIMAGE command should be this:

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>> TVIMAGE, image

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>> It can figure the "true" stuff out at the same time it is

>> figuring out what kind of device it is on.

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> Oh, dear! Working too fast this morning. My mind is

> on finding more warm clothes around the house. :-(

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> Here is what I think is happening.

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> On UNIX machines, a true-color image is a true-color

> image. There is no color table involved whatsoever.

> (This is the way it *ought* to be, IMHO. I think it is

> Windows who is nuts.) A true-color image carries around

> its own color table, always! Otherwise, what would be

> the point?

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> Of course, this makes it more difficult to deal with

> color tables, but there really is no *point* to a color

> table with a true-color image. If you want to work with

> color tables, use 2D images. If you insist on working

> with true-color images, then you will have to create

> your own true-color image from the color table in

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> question:
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> TVLCT, r, g, b, /Get
> myimage[*,*,0] = r[myimage[*,*,0]
> myimage[*,*,1] = g[myimage[*,*,1]
> myimage[*,*,2] = b[myimage[*,*,0]
> TV, myimage, True=3
>
> Cheers,
>
> David
> --
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