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Subject: VM and Colors (again)

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Has anyone had trouble with apps running under the VM causing bizarre colormap flashing on 24bit displays? This is 6.0.3, and the VM fixes there have had no effect. I think the issue is that this X display driver offers DirectColor modes, which IDL is happily choosing. Sadly, they don't work too well and cause lots of screen flashing. I wonder if people can report what happens with:

```
device,DECOMPOSED=0,RETAIN=2,TRUE=24
```

in the startup on various systems (8,16bit, various visuals, etc.). If I use this, the flashing disappears (only if TRUE=24 is there). I need to come up with something useful for a VM application, where the user's IDL startup file is not consulted.

JD

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