Subject: Re: problem with dual monitor setup
Posted by Rick Towler on Wed, 01 Mar 2006 16:50:45 GMT
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Anne wrote:

> Has anyone tried running IDL on 2 monitors? I have a Radeonx600 series
> graphics adaptor which allows me to use 1 monitor for the IDLDE
> interface and the second monitor for my graphics windows. This has been
> a great improvement as I don't have to keep switching between the
> command line and the display but I can no longer control the size of
> the windows. For example the xsize and ysize keywords for the WINDOW
> procedure have no effect, all windows pop-up at the same size as the
> last graphics window that I opened. Widgets also have arbitrary sizes.
> The display is controlled using ATI software and I guess there is some
> interaction between this and IDL going on.
> Has anyone else encountered this problem and does anyone have a
> soluiton?

A few suggestions...

Update your ATI display driver. Download the latest from ATI's website.

If you are using Hydravision (ATI's multi-monitor management software),
update it. Then look into configuring Hydravision for IDL (or
DE-configuring... Hydravision will control the placement of certain
windows which may be part of the problem so you may need to turn off
these features for IDL.)

If you are not using Hydravision, download it from ATI's website and
install it. Maybe you need hydravision...

I used to run a Radeon X300 in a dual-monitor config with IDL and while
I was less than impressed with its performance (hardware acceleration on
the second monitor was disabled,) I didn't have any of the problems you
describe. I did have Hydravision installed.

HTH.

-Rick