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Subject: Re: Draw a Histogram Plot

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>  
> Brian, can you step through the code and see what is  
> going on? I expect it draws the first PLOT command  
> correctly (since you get a white background). But I  
> would be MOST curious to know what happens then.  
> Please be sure you have the latest version, too.

Stepped through (after making sure I had the latest) and didn't learn too much...

after this section (lines 208-213):

```
Plot, binsToPlot, histdataToPlot, $          ; The fudged  
histogram and bin data.
```

```
Background=backcolor, $          ; The background  
color of the display.
```

```
NoData=1, $          ; Draw the axes  
only. No data.
```

```
XStyle=5, $          ; Exact axis  
scaling. No autoscaled axes.
```

```
YRange=yrange, $          ; The Y data  
range.
```

```
YStyle=5, $          ; Exact axis  
scaling. No autoscaled axes.
```

```
_Extra=extra, $          ; Pass any extra  
PLOT keywords.
```

```
XTICKFORMAT='(A1)', YTICKFORMAT='(A1)'  
the plot window popped up blank white, and didn't change from that at  
any step.
```

But I did learn something else...

I think this is certainly an issue with fsc\_color.

```
IDL> plot, findgen(10)  
; gives a plot white on black  
IDL> plot, findgen(10), color=fsc_color('red')  
; gives a plot, red on black  
IDL> plot, findgen(10), color=fsc_color('red'),  
background=fsc_color('white')  
; gives a blank white window
```

I have had issues with more than one call to fsc\_color in a routine before with legend, maybe its related?

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