
Subject: Re: An IDL cron job, true color plots, Xvfb, Z-buffer, and all sorts of troubles

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Thu, 07 Feb 2008 16:55:55 GMT

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Spon writes:

> Thanks, this is great! It's not a case of it being poorly written (far
> from it), more like 'well concealed'. :-)

Well, I found it by going to the IDL Tips page, clicking "Color Tips" in the menu there, then finding the article "Can you explain how color works in IDL?" in the list of color articles. I can't think off-hand how I could spell it out any clearer than that. But I'll work on it. :-)

> I can't find links to this from anywhere on your site, and the search
> feature doesn't find it either.

What search terms did you try to use? The search "how does color work" gets you right there. I do notice that the search "IDL colors" turns up thousands of articles on the page, which may be too many. :-(See the delightful book "The Paradox of Choice" in my book reviews for the reason why.

> Mind you, if it's a chapter from your book that you quite rightly
> charge for, it's no wonder you're not waving it about for free. Or
> should I say, you weren't...

Oh, hell, I'm not about money. Just don't tell my wife, please.

> Reminded me again of how I really need to borrow someone's credit card
> sometime soon. PayPal doesn't like debit cards - even ones that the
> bank sends you a whole tree's worth of (snailmail) spam about, making
> claims about how universally accepted they are :-(

Humm. I don't know. I'll see what I can find out about this.

Cheers,

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
