
Subject: Re: Black Widgets Draw Window in d_plot2d and d_gridding

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edwinretana@gmail.com writes:

> This is my first message here.
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> When I try to run the programs d_plot2d.pro and d_gridding.pro the
> widget draw is all black,, I can see the sliders and buttons also when
> I press the new data button nothing happens.
>
> I'm using Ubuntu 8.10 and Idl 7.06
>
> So there's a problem with my X server configuration or something
> else ?

Typically, you need to set RETAIN=2 for your
draw widgets on UNIX machines. When I create a draw
widget I usually write code like this:

```
IF N_Elements(retain) EQ 0 THEN $  
    retain=(!Version.OS_Family EQ 'Windows') ? 1 : 2  
drawID = Widget_Draw(baseID, RETAIN=retain, ...)
```

Cheers,

David

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