
Subject: Re: reverse color table

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Sat, 11 Sep 2010 14:21:40 GMT

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teigus writes:

> I think this will accomplish the same thing without reversing the
> color table -- just use some of the PLOT keywords instead:
>
> LoadCT, 0
> Plot, Y, BACKGROUND=255, COL=0
>
> You can also use other color tables if you want to use colors other
> than black and white.

The suggestion to use keywords is correct. But the suggestion to use these particular indices will prove disastrous if you want to create a PostScript file with this command. Instead, you should load drawing colors anywhere **except** indices 0 and 255.

A program like FSC_COLOR will take care of this detail (and many others) for you:

```
Plot, data, BACKGROUND=FSC_Color('white'), $  
    COLOR=FSC_Color('black')
```

FSC_COLOR is a Coyote Library routine.

Cheers,

David

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