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Subject: Re: idl plot window disappearances

Posted by [Jeremy Bailin](#) on Tue, 23 Aug 2011 20:44:44 GMT

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On 8/23/11 3:08 PM, David Fanning wrote:

> desertydryad writes:

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>> I'm a bit ew to IDL programming (but not to programming in general)  
>> and I have an issue that has me perplexed. I am trying to write a  
>> simple bit of code, where a plot is drawn and a user is prompted  
>> whether or not they want to accept a curve fit drawn on said plot, or  
>> attempt another set of fitting parameters. However, the plot window  
>> mysteriously vanishes the minute the prompt (from a 'read' command) is  
>> executed. So, one cannot decide whether to accept the curve fit,  
>> since it becomes invisible (the plot window simply goes blank). I  
>> have set 'retain=2' to no avail. How do I fix?

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> Use two monitors. Display your IDL plot windows on one  
> monitor and your IDLDE in the other. ;-)

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> Until WSet gets fixed (unlikely, since it has been  
> broken for so damn long!), there is no hope for this  
> on a single monitor system. The alternative, I guess,  
> is to write a widget program, rather than trying to  
> collect input from the command line.

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> Cheers,

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> David

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Would using a cgWindow and cgSet work?

-Jeremy.

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