## Subject: Re: How to display NG created in a buffer? Posted by manodeep@gmail.com on Fri, 02 Sep 2011 20:33:28 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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On Sep 2, 12:47 pm, Paul van Delst <paul.vande...@noaa.gov> wrote:
> Hello.
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  I'm doing this sort of thing:
>
   w = window(dimensions=[800,1000], buffer=buffer)
>
>
   ; Plot Tb spectra
>
   spectra = plot(xrange,yrange,/current, ...etc...)
>
>
  for many many plots and to generate output I set the "buffer" keyword.
>
  Everything works fine. When I return the window id, w, I can create output like so.
>
   IDL> w.save, 'test.png'
>
   IDL> $display test.png
>
> and, yea verily, there is my plot.
> But what I also want to do is to redisplay my graphic in the buffer on a regular window.
Something like
>
   IDL> w.display
>
> I tried using "show" with no luck:
>
   IDL> w.show
   % Attempt to call undefined method: 'GRAPHICSBUFFER::SHOW'.
>
   % Execution halted at: $MAIN$
>
I notice there is an IDLgrBuffer object, and the docs tell me
> "Object trees can be drawn to instances of the IDLgrBuffer object and the resulting image can
be retrieved from the
> buffer using the Read() method."
 But that gives me an IDLgrImage object:
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>
   IDL> help, w.read()
   <Expression> OBJREF = <ObjHeapVar605455(IDLGRIMAGE)>
> which simply kicks the can down the road: How to display an IDLgrImage object? And is that
what I want (i.e. an image)?
> I want to be able to manipulate the displayed graphics just as if I had created it in an "active"
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window.

> Any tips, tricks appreciated. > cheers, >

Haje/Mike discussed something similar (using CopyWindow) here: http://groups.google.com/group/comp.lang.idl-pvwave/browse\_t hread/thread/c296041d95207a04/e159977b26f5a678

HTH, Manodeep

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