
Subject: Re: help with transparent plot in version 8.2.2

Posted by chris_torrence@NOSPAM on Fri, 15 Mar 2013 21:05:11 GMT

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On Thursday, March 14, 2013 12:57:47 PM UTC-6, David Fanning wrote:

> Teddy Allen writes:

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>> Looks like using LAYOUT instead of POSITION worked! I wish I knew

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>> why though...

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> Yes, my general experience with function graphics is that there are

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> always multiple ways to do something with the routines, only one of

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> which actually works. It is left as an exercise for the user to

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> determine which one that is. The only pattern I've noticed is that the

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> right answer is generally not the one recommended by whatever

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> documentation you have found to read. :-)

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> In defense of function graphics, however, I will say that the version in

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> IDL 8.2.2 is the best yet, and I have noticed a significant speed-up in

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> performance lately. I still find them a bit confounding and I chafe at

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> these niggling "features" that *almost* allow you to do your work, but

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> not quite. For example, I think I might be quite happy to switch to

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> function graphics map projections if I could just label box axes

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> appropriately and if they didn't insist on warping my image.

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> Maybe by next year...

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> Cheers,
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> Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.idlcoyote.com/>
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> Sepore ma de ni thue. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

Hi David,
As you point out, clear, simple reproduce cases will go a long way towards getting any shortcomings fixed. :-)
-Chris
