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Subject: Re: SHADE\_SURF and hiding axes

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R Balthazor wrote:

>  
> I would be very grateful if anyone can help with the following problem.  
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> I have a surface that I wish to represent with SHADE\_SURF, and then  
> surround with a 'box' of axes with various annotations, using  
> AXIS,XAX=0,... AXIS,XAX=1,...etc.  
>  
> However, the rearmost axes in the projection are drawn over the figure  
> and are visible through the shaded surface, which is confusing. If I  
> draw the AXIS first and then use SHADE\_SURF,/NOERASE, much of the axis  
> is still erased.  
>  
> Is there any way to hide the rearmost axes when they are not visible  
> through a 'valley'?  
>  
> Thanks in advance,  
>  
> R. Balthazor.

You can do it by using the Z-buffer e.g.:

```
SET_PLOT, 'Z'
```

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DEVICE, set_resolution=[640,512] ; Or whatever
```

<your plotting commands i.e. the shade\_surf and AXIS calls -- the order doesn't matter>

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image=tvrd()
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```
SET_PLOT, 'X'
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tv,image
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