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Subject: Re: Transparent series of images with axis using cgImage  
Posted by [Petros Syntelis](#) on Fri, 21 Mar 2014 16:41:34 GMT

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Thx David!

I'll study your example to sort it out!

Cheers,  
Petros

On Friday, March 21, 2014 2:41:35 PM UTC, David Fanning wrote:

> Petros Syntelis writes:

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>> Has anybody tried to create transparent images with axis and done it correctly?

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>  
> Not this way, no. :-)  
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> Too much going on here for the hacking that has to take place in direct  
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> graphics. I would do this a completely different way. I would write the  
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> program like this:

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> PRO Example, PS=ps

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>  
> ; Fake images.  
>  
> im1 = cgDemoData(7)  
>  
> im2 = cgDemoData(21)  
>  
> im3 = cgDemoData(22)  
>  
> im4 = cgDemoData(5)  
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>
> ; Build composite images.
>
> cgDisplay, 400, 500, WID=2, /Pixmap
>
> cgimage, im1
>
> cgimage, im4, ctindex=33, $
>     AlphaFGPos=[0.0,0.25,1.0,0.75], transparent=50
>
> snap1 = cgSnapShot()
>
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>
> cgimage, im2
>
> cgimage, im4, ctindex=33, $
>     AlphaFGPos=[0.0, 0.25, 1.0, 0.75], transparent=50
>
> snap2 = cgSnapShot()
>
>
>
> cgimage, im3
>
> cgimage, im4, ctindex=33, $
>     AlphaFGPos=[0.0, 0.25, 1.0, 0.75], transparent=50
>
> snap3 = cgSnapShot()
>
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>
> ; Delete the Pixmap.
>
> WDelete, 2
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>
> ; Set multimargin and character size values.
>
> mm = 12
>
> cs = 2.25
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> ; Need a PostScript file?
>
> IF Keyword_Set(ps) THEN BEGIN
>
>   cgPS_Open, 'example.ps'
>
>   mm = 8
>
>   cs = 1.75
>
> ENDIF
>
>
>
> ; Display them.
>
> cgDisplay, 1200, 500
>
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>
> !P.Multi=[0,3,1]
>
> cgimage, snap1, multimargin=mm, /axes, $
>
>   OPosition=oPos, axkey={charsize:cs}
>
> yrangle = oPos[3] - oPos[1]
>
> p1 = oPos[1] + yrangle*0.25
>
> p3 = oPos[3] - yrangle*0.25
>
> cgPlot, [1], /NoData, /NoErase, CharSize=cs, $
>
>   Position=[oPos[0], p1, oPos[2], p3], AxisColor='red'
>
>
>
> cgimage, snap2, multimargin=mm, /axes, $
>
>   OPosition=oPos, axkey={charsize:cs}
>
> yrangle = oPos[3] - oPos[1]
>
> p1 = oPos[1] + yrangle*0.25
>
> p3 = oPos[3] - yrangle*0.25
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>
> cgPlot, [1], /NoData, /NoErase, CharSize=cs, $
>
>     Position=[opos[0], p1, opos[2], p3], AxisColor='red'
>
>
>
> cgimage, snap3, multimargin=mm, /axes, OPosition=opos, $
>
>     axkey={charsize:cs}
>
> yrangle = opos[3] - opos[1]
>
> p1 = opos[1] + yrangle*0.25
>
> p3 = opos[3] - yrangle*0.25
>
> cgPlot, [1], /NoData, /NoErase, CharSize=cs, $
>
>     Position=[opos[0], p1, opos[2], p3], AxisColor='red'
>
>
>
> !P.Multi=0
>
>
>
> IF Keyword_Set(PS) THEN BEGIN
>
>     cgPS_Close, /PNG
>
> ENDIF
>
>
>
> END
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> ****
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> To see it on the display:
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> IDL> Example
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> To see it in a PostScript and PNG file:  
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> IDL> Example, /PS  
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> Cheers,  
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> David  
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> Sepore ma de ni thue. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

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