Thanks for the info. At the moment however I am trying to keep everything backwards compatible with the last version of IDL i.e. 7.0 . When version 9.0 comes out I may use your solution.

I think I may be able to solve the problem using pixmaps. Any suggestions on how to effectively do this would be welcome.

-Luke

On Wednesday, August 13, 2014 5:56:35 PM UTC-7, pierre.v...@gmail.com wrote:
>>>   3. I see a red flash before inline graphics appear in the notebook.
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>> This is actually an IDL graphics window popping up and then being destroyed. In the kernel a png of the plot is produced and is then sent to the notebook. I tried writing the png directly but it caused some issues.
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> Have you thought of using the function call 'w = window(/buffer)'? This should give you the same results, but no window popping up.