
Subject: 16-bit color in IDL/Linux

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Hello,

I'm sure this has been asked before, but I couldn't find anything in the FAQ or any of the IDL Web pages I know about. Can IDL be made to work with a 16-bit TrueColor visual in the Linux version? A colleague asked me about this and I had no more success than he did in making it work. We would both start X with a 16-bit visual (verified by xwininfo and running image display things like xv), but as soon as we tried to display an image with tv in IDL, it would seg fault and dump us back at the unix prompt.

We are both running IDL 5.0 - I've got Redhat Linux with the 2.0.30 kernel, he has Caldera with presumably the same kernel. Any advice, tricks, or confirmation that it just plain won't work will be greatly appreciated. Thanks.

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