
Subject: Re: window colour maps

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Peter Gallagher wrote:

>
> Does anyone know how to select a separate colour map for several
> windows? I am currently working with 2 windows; I want one window
> with a black and white colour map and the other with a red temp.
> colour table.
>
> Any suggestions?
>

If you need both windows viewed simultaneously with their own colormaps, and you don't mind using half the available colors for each, then Liam's solution is the way to go.

If you want to assign each window it's own complete colormap, and have that colormap restored when the cursor moves into the window, you can use the KBRD_FOCUS_EVENTS keyword when you create your draw widgets. You'll have to have a unique EVENT_PRO for the events from each of your draw widgets. Then in these event processing procedures put something like:

```
PRO draw1_event, event
```

```
name = strmid(tag_names(event, /structure_name), 7, 1000)
```

```
case (name) of
```

```
  "KBRD_FOCUS": begin
```

```
    ; Entering program area so load colors  
    if ( event.enter eq 1) then $  
      loadct, 0, /silent
```

```
  end
```

```
  ...
```

```
END
```

You should check out David Fanning's XWINDOWS routine, as it is a good example of this technique, though he does it slightly differently. I believe his web page has a tutorial on this as well:

<http://www.dfanning.com>

Hope this helps.

Dave

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