
Subject: Re: 24 bit displays, private colormaps, and other things that keep my up
Posted by [David Foster](#) on Fri, 19 Sep 1997 07:00:00 GMT

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Aviv Gladman wrote:

- > My basic problem seems to stem from the fact that
- > IDL/Motif widgets use the shared colormap associated with the Motif/X root
- > window, rather than using the private colormap associated with the
- > pseudo-color IDL session. I can solve the problem by using a shared
- > colormap for the entire session (say, `Idl*colors=-5`), but this
- > considerably restricts the number of colors available to IDL.

Doesn't this just tell IDL to leave alone 5 colors which will be used
by the window system or other applications. That doesn't considerably
restrict the number of colors available.

I use IDL 5.0 on an Ultra with Solaris also, but with OpenWindows,
and I don't experience this problem.

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