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Whatever this is, it is NOT because you are changing colors. :-)

Rather, I suspect some kind of programming error. How exactly are you trying to use XPalette to change colors in your contour plot? Is this in a widget program? Do you leave XPalette on the display, while you try to change colors? I suspect this is probably the case.

I'm going to guess, in the absence of any evidence, that you are overplotting something onto your map display while XPalette is still on the display. What I think is happening is that you are using the axes ranges determined by the graphic displays in XPalette rather than the axes ranges determined by your map projection. If this is the case, simply save the axes ranges and restore them before you try to overplot. Typically with this kind of application you save !X, !Y, !P, and !Map. You probably don't need them \*all\*, but in this case overkill usually solves more problems than it creates. :-)

Cheers,

David

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Oh, sorry, Dominik. Did you think I meant \*your\* programming error!? No indeed. I think there is an error in XPalette. :-)

I've done a quick look and it seems to me the problem is in the internal routine COLOR\_CONVERT, although I can't imagine why this should be so. But I stand by my earlier theory that the problem is some assumption about the state of system variables. I think you need to ask RSI for help in this case.

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