Subject: True Color, but !d.table_size eq 64? Posted by Alex Schuster on Fri, 09 Feb 2001 16:02:09 GMT

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Hi!

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Any idea why this happens? Under Windows, it's always 256.

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Maybe I found the only thing that's better in the Windows than in the Unix version of IDL?

Alex

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Posted by Alex Schuster on Tue, 13 Feb 2001 12:29:21 GMT
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Posted by Alex Schuster on Wed, 14 Feb 2001 16:42:36 GMT
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Okay, next question. Now that the True-Color Sun and the Windows PC display exactly the same, I tried another PC, an SGI 320 running NT. It has a 1600x1024 TFT display, maybe this has to do with the problem:

I start IDL (5.2), and enter XLOADCT. This opens the color dialog, and shows the default grayscale color bar. But on the SGI, I see a cyan bar. Looks like the red part of the color table is missing.

device, decomposed=0 & window & erase, 255 works fine, the window is erased in white. But a tv, rebin(bindgen(256), 512, 512) shows cyan colors, and no white.

Um, forget that, that was what just happened. Now that I try again, I get red colors. After an XLOADCT, I get red and cyan colors. Next try. This time, it's all cyan again. Oh well. I exited IDL after each try of course.

What the heck is going on here? Probably some missing DEVICE, /CORRECT_COLORS_ON_SGI or such.

Some information about the graphics stuff:

Cobalt graphics ChipSet A4 Driver Version 5.1.0

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