
Subject: Re: color_quan(...., Cube=6) makes white white, but ...

Posted by [Karl Schultz](#) on Fri, 26 Apr 2002 22:02:44 GMT

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Posted by [Rick Towler](#) on Fri, 26 Apr 2002 22:02:58 GMT

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In office2k I can insert 24 bit .png files and I haven't had problems with misbehaving colors. You may want to give this a try.

You may also want to try David's TVREAD program. It will simplify and generalize the capturing of DG windows. I ended up hacking it to save 24bit png files too (it is possible that it does this in it's original form and I missed it). Let me know if you want my modified version.

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> I took David's advice and used the subject heading when creating gifs from
> my display, this fixed the problem that the white background would always
> show up slightly grey. However, as I posted afterwards, the option reduces
> the number of colors by a factor of 2 roughly. It also makes the plots
look
> 'grainy', which sounds like the same problem actually. Is there a way
around
> this, i.e. I'd like white background when I ask for it, but I don't really
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Subject: Re: color_quan(..., Cube=6) makes white white, but ...
Posted by nobody@nowhere.com (S) on Fri, 26 Apr 2002 23:17:50 GMT
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Is the WMF device included in the Linux version? If so, I'll be upgrading soon. Correct me if I'm wrong, but it sounds like I could render images as I would to the screen in Direct Graphics, but to the WMF device, similar to what I currently do with the PS device. With this device, the fonts are TrueType Fonts? The problem with rendering everything to an X-window and then treading everything is the text ends up looking bad in the image, so I have beautiful graphics with ugly text surrounding it :(.

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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 26 Apr 2002 23:55:33 GMT
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Or, you could ask the author politely and he would
probably have a new version for you in about 5 minutes.
(If he wasn't attending a tennis match.) :-)

Cheers,

David

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Posted by [nobody@nowhere.com](#) (S) on Fri, 26 Apr 2002 23:58:00 GMT
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GDI is an acronym meaning "windows API"? So there is no way to exchange a
vector based image file with Windows if you're not _in_ Windows? reminds me of
the slogan once used by whoever marketed "Lucky Strikes"[1]: "I'd rather fight
than switch", sure is painfull, though :(!

[1] not advocating smoking or any particular tobacco product :P

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Yes, you could do this too :)

I didn't want to advocate pestering the author with feature requests as I assumed that he got enough of them already.

-Rick

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