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Posted by maki on Thu, 05 Oct 2006 09:36:16 GMT

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Thanks for your help!

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Posted by Michael Galloy on Fri, 06 Oct 2006 03:14:07 GMT

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If you're up for trying the iTools, check out iVector:

http://idlastro.gsfc.nasa.gov/idl_html_help/IVECTOR.html

In particular, Example 1 which combines iMap and iVector:

http://idlastro.gsfc.nasa.gov/idl_html_help/IVECTOR.html#wp1 029045

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