Subject: Re: shaded relief
Posted by Paolo Grigis on Fri, 19 Jan 2007 10:29:23 GMT
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Paolo

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Posted by greg michael on Fri, 19 Jan 2007 11:48:11 GMT
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Thanks Paulo - that's a good suggestion. It works. Unfortunately it
brings a new problem: now the image is very low contrast (because of
the reduced range of slopes), having a brightness range of only about
10/256. After stretching it doesn't look very good. Now I think of it,
I'm surprised the object-graphics one doesn't look the same. There must
be some auto-stretching going on there. Maybe this is a killer for the
direct-graphics way?

Greg

IDL> z=dtm*128./58000.+50.
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 shade_surf,z,image=sh,az=0,ax=90,position=[0,0,762,768],tick
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