
Subject: colormap problem in v4.0.1 (yes I read FAQ)

Posted by [braun](#) on Fri, 25 Aug 1995 07:00:00 GMT

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I also note that my 4.0.1 installation no longer includes the directory "notes" which contained the sun.doc spelling out this (and other) problems.

Doug Braun

Subject: Re: colormap problem in v4.0.1 (yes I read FAQ)

Posted by [thompson](#) on Mon, 28 Aug 1995 07:00:00 GMT

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braun@noao.edu (Doug Braun) writes:

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Two possibilities:

1. You might try increasing the number of colors reserved for widgets to

Idl.colors: -10

That's what I have in my .Xdefaults file. Perhaps -5 just isn't adequate any more.

2. Perhaps other software running at the same time is using all the colors, so that none are left for IDL to use.

Bill Thompson
