
Subject: setcurrent and buffer don't work together?

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Why can't one combine /buffer and setcurrent for a window? Without this ability, we either have to run the job in the foreground, or reread very large files so we can plot different variables in different windows.

IDL Version 8.2.2, Mac OS X (darwin x86_64 m64)

```
IDL> w=window()
% Loaded DLM: PNG.
IDL> w2=window(/buffer)
IDL> w.setcurrent
IDL> w2.setcurrent
% Attempt to call undefined method: 'GRAPHICSBUFFER::SETCURRENT'.
% Execution halted at: $MAIN$
```

One way around this might be to use the TARGET keyword with the PLOT command, but this isn't an option:

```
IDL> p = plot ( [0,1], target=2 )
% PLOT: Unknown property: TARGET
```
