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Posted by [Steve Daal](#) on Mon, 16 Sep 2013 18:02:01 GMT

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I see that xobjview works fine for my problem, however: no axis appear on the plot and th eimage is always in grey color!

Is there any know way to fix any of these problems? A third solution would be fine, too.

Please advise-thanks a lot for you help,
Steve

Subject: Re: Texture image on a 3d curve: cgsurface and xobjview problems

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Mon, 16 Sep 2013 18:06:15 GMT

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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Mon, 16 Sep 2013 18:25:57 GMT
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What does "paste it into the IDL interface" mean? Maybe you have an error in the interface you are not aware of. Try doing a "dot reset" in the interface (are we talking about the Workbench here?) and see if that helps:

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Maybe this is the Mac cursor problem:

http://www.idlcoyote.com/misc_tips/cursor_on_mac.html

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Posted by [Steve Daal](#) on Mon, 16 Sep 2013 18:31:33 GMT

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Thanks for info, this would indeed be an improvement and a change in the right direction.

Steve
