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TOPIC -----

One problem with using visual effects in HyperCard 2.0 is that they don't work if you try to use a visual between two stacks of different sizes. This article provides a workaround.

DISCUSSION -----

Create a card as the last card in stack A. This card can be either all black, all white, or the same background as the rest of the stack with blank field data.

To get the visual effect to work, the script would read:

```
on mouseUp
  visual effect -- whatever
  go last card -- of stack A
  go stack B
end mouseUp
```

The visual effect works because it is going between two cards in the same stack, and then the change to the new stack appears to occur instantaneously after the visual. If the last card created is a solid color, it will give the appearance of a "fade to black or white" or open to "white or black" and can work really dramatically.

If the last card has the same background, it will look like the data from the fields disappears and then you're in stack B.

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