
Subject: Re: YTITLE behaviour in Mac IDL?
Posted by [davidf](#) on Tue, 19 Jan 1999 08:00:00 GMT
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Gregory G. Arkos (arkos@NOSPAMphys.ucalgary.ca) writes:

> I noticed something a bit strange today. The command
>
> PLOT, findgen(100), YTITLE='Test'
>
> on our workstations using 5.1 plots up fine, with the
> entire title "Test" parallel to the y axis (e.g. the characters
> are perpendicular to the Y axis, but the word runs parallel
> to the Y axis). The same thing with IDL 5.1 for PowerMac,
> yields the title "Test" running like a banner along the Y axis,
> so that both the characters AND the word are parallel to the
> Y axis:

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> Is there some way to adjust this? Is this a bug?

I'm guessing that the PowerMac has a startup file that is turning hardware fonts on (i.e., !P.Font=0). Make sure you are using software fonts (!P.Font=-1) or True-Type fonts (!P.Font=1) if you want the text to rotate. You can also set the font characteristic on the PLOT command with the FONT keyword:

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PLOT, findgen(100), YTITLE='Test', Font=-1
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Cheers,

David

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[Note: This follow-up was e-mailed to the cited author.]
