
Subject: Re: !p.multi question: margin possible at top of page?

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In article <18MAR199418225138@nssdca.gsfc.nasa.gov> candey@nssdca.gsfc.nasa.gov (Bob Candey) writes:

> I don't understand why this is no longer in the IDL manuals. There is a
> !x(y).margin to set the left(top) and right(bottom) margins of each panel
> (in units of characters). In addition, there is !x(y).omargin to set
> the outside margins for the whole page. This works with !p.multi.
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Bob,

Thanks a lot! This !x(y).omargin is definitely the way to go, since most applications want extra room for text and the omargin has character cells as its units. This is especially nice since it then scales with any change in the !p.charsize. It is still pretty easy then to make room for a color bar as long as it is assigned a height or width based on the character size (ie. make the color bar 2 characters wide).

I also agree that the manuals could use a section which summarizes the contents and use of each of the fields in the !x(y(z)) system structures. As it is now it is done implicitly in the discussion of keywords.

What a way to start the week!

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