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Subject: Re: Interesting IDLgrContour Bug  
Posted by [Harold Cline](#) on Wed, 20 Sep 2000 05:00:17 GMT  
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Hi David,

Did you report this to tech support yet?

Cheers,  
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David Fanning wrote:

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>  
> Hi Folks,  
>  
> I ran into an interesting little IDLgrContour bug today  
> that gave me a few hours of fun. Apparently, the  
> contour algorithm cannot see positive data that is less  
> than 1. As a result, it reports the contour range incorrectly.  
> Here is a very short example:  
>  
> ; Create test data.  
> data = Dist(40)  
>  
> ; Normalize the Y values from 20 to 39 to be less than 0.  
> data[*,20:39] = data[*,20:39]/Max(data)  
>  
> ; Create contour plot.  
> x = findgen(40)  
> y = findgen(40)  
> theContour = Obj_New('IDLgrContour', data, Geomx=x, Geomy=y)  
>  
> ; Get the Y range of the data.  
> theContour->GetProperty, YRange=theBadRange  
>  
> ; Print it. Expect 0 to 39.  
>  
> Print, theBadRange  
> 0.000000 19.8495  
>  
> Whoops! Of course, this will cause the scaling to be  
> completely off when you go to put the plot into your  
> view.  
>  
> The work around is to get the contour range from
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> the X and Y vectors. I don't think too many people  
> will run into this, but it can be distracting. :-)  
>  
> I've tested this in IDL 5.3.1 and IDL 5.4 beta on  
> Windows NT 4.0.  
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> Cheers,  
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