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Subject: multiple 2d\_plots in one system (itools)

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Hello,

I am trying to plot multiple size distributions of an aerosol in one plot. What I have tried so far: the plot structure of the `Ji_1/2lihc` group, but it is limited to 25 datasets, in my case there can be 100 datasets.

What I tried next is the new itools procedure `iplot`, but it does not work as I expected it to. First, the x axis should be logarithmic (values from 0.038 to 16  $\mu\text{m}$ ). When I set `xrange` to `[min(xdata),max(xdata)]` the axis ranges from  $\sim 0$  to  $10\text{e}16$ , so I tried `alog10()` of the above resulting in a LINEAR axis from -1.4 to 1.2 even though I have set `/x_log`. I cannot see a way to get the axis I want.

Second I don't see any data in the plot although the visualisation manager shows all datasets (`show=true`). It's just my first try using itools, but it seems they are much less intuitive than I expected. Here is the code I used:

```
xmin=min(Dp)
xmax=max(Dp)
ymax=max(50)

for i=0,max_nr do begin

  if i eq 0 then begin
    iplot, Dp[*], dN[*]/duration[i], $
    /x_log,xrange=[xmin,xmax],yrange=[0,ymax]
    view_nr=itgetcurrent()
  endif else iplot, Dp[*], dN[*]/duration[i], $
    /x_log,xrange=[xmin,xmax],yrange=[0,ymax],overplot=view_nr
  endfor
```

Omitting `xrange`, `yrange` and `x_log` does not change the result (as can be expected).

Another question:

Is there another easy way to get these plots done? I wonder if there is a way to get them in a 3D plot as stacked xy plots with `z` as the time of measurement but NOT as surface plots (but filled to the x-axis would be OK). Like this:

z(time)

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-----x (size, Dp)

Thanks,

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