
Subject: 3D plot of set of curves

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Dear people,

I have a set of curves -- say, the values are in a 2D array "Z" -- and would like to make a nice-looking graph something like this hand-drawn sketch:

<http://tinyurl.com/36frg>

(NB: On Sat-Sun 29-30 May it's probably useless trying this link -- they tell me our web server will be down. Sorry about that.)

In what way exactly the "walls" are shaded is not crucial, but I definitely want the "base lines" (i.e., the lines at $z=0$) drawn, with hidden lines removed, as in the sketch figure referenced above.

I looked into the help for SURFACE and SHADE_SURF, but did not find what I need. The HORIZONTAL keyword to SURFACE goes in the right direction, but does only does a disappointingly small part of the job.

Is there a not-too-cumbersome way in IDL to do what I want?

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