> Hmmm.
>
> When I run your example, the axes have the same thickness in MacOS
10.3.5
> running idl version...
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> IDL> print, !version
> { ppc darwin unix Mac OS X 6.1 Jul 14 2004   32   32}
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> Have you looked at these before printing them, perhaps with Preview?
Do they
> have varying thicknesses in Preview?
>
> Ben

IDL> print, !version
{ ppc darwin unix Mac OS X 6.0.3 Feb 26 2004   32   32}

Yes, they do have one thick line when I vew in preview. For what it is
worth, my primary computer is a 1GHz TiBook using a 64MB ATI Radeon
9000 mobility graphics card
(http://www.apple.com/pr/library/2002/nov/06pbg4.html). I too am
running 10.3.5 with Apple's X11.

I've tried setting Idl.renderer = 1 in ~/Xdefaults but to no avail.

I just tried using 6.1 and, in general, the axes and text in look to be
much improved. Most importantly, both axes have the same thickness!!
Sadly, this is only an eval license and it isn't clear if/when we'll
upgrade to 6.1 (5.1 -> 6.0 last year).