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Subject: Re: shading in contour plots

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"C. Hoyle" <c.hoyle@pmodwrc.ch> wrote in message  
news:470ec27d.0507110036.44976c0d@posting.google.com...

> I think this better describes my problem. Consider the following:

...

> If you only use levels 0 and 1, the line on the far left does not show  
> up. If you use levels in between 1 and 0, the boundaries of the other  
> rectangles are no longer properly defined. This is not such a problem  
> with rectangles, but if the shapes are more complicated, then the  
> result is not  
> good. I don't think that this is a problem with nlevels (I don't use it)  
> or /fill (I use /cell\_fill).  
> cheers,  
> Chris

Offhand, you can try some other approaches, such as something like:

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IDL> shade_surf,sf,shade=bytsc1(sf),az=0,ax=90,ztickname=strarr(2 0)+' '
```

where you may want to fiddle with the byte scaling. If your data is 0 and 1,  
you could just do a "shade = sf\*250" or something like that.

Also, one could use tvimage or tv to plot the image (again with appropriate  
bytsc1ing)

However, if you want to accurately shade every rectangle, you may want to  
polyshade each region by itself (easy for rectangles, more difficult for  
arbitrary  
shapes).

Cheers,  
bob

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