Subject: Re: MAP_SET Aspect Ratio

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In article <3qnvjm\$fl@smoke.ups.edu>, cavin@odin.ups.edu (Colby Cavin) writes:

- > I have a question about using the MAP_SET function in IDL. I'm
- > trying to overlay some contour maps onto a specific map projection.
- |> So far, I can plot up everything just fine, but the aspect ratio is
- |> all messed up. When I set the limits, IDL takes those and scales
- > them to fit the existing plot window, allowing the programmer to
- |> make Colorado 3 miles wide and 600 miles high (not a very helpful
- |> map projection).

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- |> Do I really have to tweak the window's scaling factors manually
- > in order to get a true map projection?

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|> Thanks for your help.

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A "true" map projection is had with the /isometric keyword. This goes down as the single greatest IDL mystery-- revealed to me by someone from the U.K. The position keyword may also help in some instances, as can the xmargin and ymargin keywords.

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