
Subject: Re: Weird behaviour in SURFACE procedure
Posted by [Paul Van Delst\[1\]](#) on Tue, 17 Jun 2008 15:54:07 GMT
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Bob Crawford wrote:

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> On Jun 17, 10:05 am, Paul van Delst <Paul.vanDe...@noaa.gov> wrote:
>> Hello,
>>
>> I put together the following test case:
>>
>> pro testit, lego=lego
>>   t = [273.0,279.0,285.0,291.0,297.0,303.0]
>>   s = [20.0,22.0,24.0,26.0,28.0,30.0,32.0,34.0,36.0,38.0,40.0]
>>   e = [[79.3482,77.6361,75.9746,74.5451,73.0994,71.4641],$
>>         [79.1002,77.3120,75.5867,74.0939,72.6238,71.0040],$
>>         [78.8522,76.9879,75.1988,73.6427,72.1483,70.5440],$
>>         [78.6042,76.6638,74.8109,73.1916,71.6728,70.0839],$
>>         [78.3561,76.3397,74.4230,72.7404,71.1973,69.6238],$
>>         [78.1081,76.0156,74.0351,72.2892,70.7218,69.1638],$
>>         [77.8601,75.6915,73.6473,71.8380,70.2463,68.7037],$
>>         [77.6121,75.3674,73.2594,71.3869,69.7708,68.2436],$
>>         [77.3641,75.0433,72.8715,70.9357,69.2953,67.7836],$
>>         [77.1161,74.7192,72.4836,70.4845,68.8198,67.3235],$
>>         [76.8680,74.3951,72.0957,70.0333,68.3443,66.8634]]
>>   window,0
>>   surface, e, t, s,$
>>       xtitle='Temperature (K)',$
>>       ytitle='Salinity (ppt)',$
>>       ztitle='Static permittivity', $
>>       charsize=3.0, lego=lego
>>   window,1
>>   contour, e, t, s,$
>>       xtitle='Temperature (K)',$
>>       ytitle='Salinity (ppt)',$
>>       title='Static permittivity', $
>>       levels=[66,68,70,72,74,76,78,80], $
>>       c_labels=[1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1], $
>>       c_charsize=1.0
>>   isurface, e, t, s,$
>>       xtitle='Temperature (K)',$
>>       ytitle='Salinity (ppt)',$
>>       ztitle='Static permittivity'
>> end
>>
>> If I simply run the above, the result of the SURFACE procedure does not match either the
>> CONTOUR or ISURFACE output. It's as though there has been a rotation of 90deg clockwise
in
>> the surface, but not the axes. If you count the number of datapoints in the x- (or
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>> temperature) direction of the surface plot, I see 11 values and it should be 6.
 >>
 >> However, if I use the /LEGO keyword, then the SURFACE output seems correct compared to the
 >> other two plots.
 >>
 >> Note that the max value of the data should occur on the T=273K, S=20.0ppt corner, and the
 >> min value in the T=303K, S=40.0ppt corner.
 >>
 >> Can someone else run the above test code and verify?
 >>
 >> I'm running:
 >>
 >> IDL> print, !version
 >> { x86 linux unix linux 7.0 Oct 25 2007 32 64}
 >>
 >> on RHE 4.0
 >>
 >> Thanks for any feedback.
 >>
 >> cheers,
 >>
 >> paulv
 >
 > Same result here (WinXp) ... but I think what you're seeing is the
 > underside of the surface on the surface plot.

Ahhh.....

Or should I say, "D'oh!" ?

You're a genius!

I changed the above code to do

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surface, e, t, s,$
  xtitle='Temperature (K)', $
  ytitle='Salinity (ppt)', $
  ztitle='Static permittivity', $
  charsize=3.0, lego=lego, /save
plots, [273,273],[20,20],[66,79.3482], /t3d
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and, sure enough, the line goes to the correct point. Using the /UPPER_ONLY keyword also confirms.

Man, I've got to print out that surface and see if its eyes follow me as I walk around the room..... (ehem).

Thanks again!

cheers,

paulv
