
Subject: Re: weird font issue: string("305B) does not work any more?

Posted by [biophys](#) on Sun, 06 Jul 2008 23:30:24 GMT

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Hi, David

Thanks for the comments. It simply doesn't work for both Hershey Vector fonts or True Type fonts. Maybe I should not mention the !p.font=0 case which is kinda irrelevant. So to clarify a bit, here's what works on a linux box but not on my windows xp.

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IDL>set_plot,'win'
IDL>!p.font=-1
IDL> XYOUTS,.1, .5, '!3Angstrom symbol:'+STRING("305B), /NORM
```

It should just work according to the font section of the appendices of IDL API References Guide. And my current work around is to change STRING("305B) into !Z(00c5).

bp

On Jul 6, 7:09 am, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:

> biophys writes:

>> It's been a long time since last time I used something like

>> string("305B) to get these special characters. However, this time it

>> doesn't work for me on a windows machine with direct graphics. If I

>> use

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>> IDL>!p.font=-1 & XYOUTS,.1, .5, '!3Here is an Angstrom symbol: ' +

>> STRING("305B), /NORM, CHARSIZE=3

>> or

>> IDL>!p.font=1 & XYOUTS,.1, .5, '!3Here is an Angstrom symbol: ' +

>> STRING("305B), /NORM, CHARSIZE=3

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>> the angstrom does not show up.

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> As far as I know this has never worked with direct graphics

> and hardware fonts. In fact, I don't see how it could.

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> Cheers,

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> David

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- > Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming:<http://www.dfanning.com/>
 - > Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
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