
Subject: Re: 2 plotting questions

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 12 Feb 2010 13:40:39 GMT

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will.flanagan writes:

- > I have 2 questions with regards to plotting. I hope that these are not
- > too basic:
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- > 1. How do you make the plotting grid more thick when using a simple
- > 'plot' procedure? I see how to make characters and lines thicker with
- > the 'thick' and 'charthick' keywords, but I don't see how to make the
- > axis thicker.

Use XThick, YThick, etc. Or, !X.Thick, !Y.Thick, etc.

- > If it is relevant, I am plotting to postscript and I want the plots to
- > show up better in presentations.

Oh, well, then use PS_Start. All this is then done automatically. ;-)

http://www.dfanning.com/graphics_tips/weboutput.html

- > 2. Completely unrelated - In the plot labels, I wish to use more
- > sophisticated symbols, such as a character with a ~ above or a
- > character with both a subscript and superscript which are not offset.
- > Are there any easy ways to do this in IDL?

It depends on whether you can find these characters in a font-set somewhere. If you can, it is fairly easy. If you can't, then it is not so easy.

http://www.dfanning.com/graphics_tips/numlabel.html

Cheers,

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
