
Subject: Re: quick question to get me started on mapping
Posted by [oxfordenergyservices](#) on Fri, 06 Aug 2010 15:44:59 GMT
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On 6 Aug, 15:37, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:
> a writes:
>> I have a list
>
>> lon1,lat1,name1
>> lon2,lat2,name2
>> etc
>
>> and I want to plot the names at their lat/lon positions on a map of
>> the world with country boundaries included
>
>> this must be pretty simple, no?
>
> Yes. :-)
>
> Map_Set, /Cylindrical, /Continents
> XYOUTS, lon, lat, name, ALIGN=0.5
>

Thanks David (again!)

Any idea if there are more detailed datasets out there that I can for example

; Overplot coastline data:
MAP_CONTINENTS, /CITIES, COLOR=black

or some topographic color data so the maps look more professional?

And if the xyouts are too close to each other then the text overlaps.
I imagine writing something to stop this is going to be pretty hard
unless it exists already?

Cheers

Russ
