Just one warning on x/y/z.style. I have always used style=3 since I don't like the ticks getting involved with the data. I know that others have their own preferences and that's fine. But, the _biggest_ objection I have to the new plot() function is that the style=3 functionality is not supported. You get style=1 whether you want it or not. That one deficiency alone is enough for me to turn my back on an otherwise promising new method of plotting.

However, I do agree with David. Changing the default background to white for all devices is something that I hated at first but quickly grew to like. If you use color you have to use completely different color values when switching from a black to white background and I really do value saving a plot that can be used anywhere (without having to plan ahead). As a global "standard", I find a white background more universally useful.