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Subject: Re: 8.\* graphics

Posted by [Russell\[1\]](#) on Tue, 17 Jan 2012 17:47:38 GMT

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UPDATE: I tried a variant of a trick by David F., but for the y-axis [http://www.idlcoyote.com/tips/another\\_yaxis.html](http://www.idlcoyote.com/tips/another_yaxis.html) . For some kooky reason, as soon as I use the axis.pro (function not procedure), the colors and transparency immediately go away. GRRR!!!

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On Jan 17, 12:22 pm, Russell <[rryan....@gmail.com](mailto:rryan....@gmail.com)> wrote:

> Okay, so I'm trying my hand at the new graphics features in IDL 8,  
> mostly because doing this in the classic direct graphics way is  
> incredible painful and (according to the help pages) the new stuff  
> should be able to knock this one out of the park. Famous last words,  
> I know. So here's the problem:  
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> I'm trying to make a figure for an upcoming proposal where I want to  
> show a series of transmission curves (as a function of wavelength)  
> with the area under each curve shaded a different color. Many of  
> these curves have small overlaps with adjacent bands, and I'd like to  
> have the shading be the transparency (a la red+blue = purple). It  
> seems that plot.pro (the function not the procedure) is ready and  
> willing to do this, but I desperately need the x-axis to be displayed  
> as a log (so xlog=1b). However! the shading and transparency is  
> completely gone when I set xlog=1b! AAGGHH! Am I crazy, does anyone  
> know anything about this?  
>  
> -Russell  
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> PS, Yes, I'm aware that I can simply take the logarithm of the axis  
> and plot log(wavelength), but (1) I prefer the log-spaced tick marks  
> and (2) it \*SHOULD\* work! switching this bit shouldn't affect the  
> colors!

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