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Subject: Re: Angstrom Symbol Nonsense  
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In article <32F2232E.3F09@cdc.noaa.gov>,  
Andy Loughie <afl@cdc.noaa.gov> writes:  
> David Fanning wrote:  
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>> It's elementary, my dear Watson. What I wrote was this:  
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>> ang = '!6!sA!r!u!9 %!6!n'  
>>  
>> Take out your Geek to English dictionary. You can find it  
>> in Chapter 9 of the IDL User's Guide. This sentence is easily  
>> parsed:  
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>  
> "Geek" to English dictionary?  
>  
> Just what are you implying about those of us who use IDL! ;-) ;-)

He may have a point though!  
Actually I was a little surprised at how horrible^H^H^H^H^H non-intuitive  
this aspect of IDL is, after all the plotting routines are so advanced and  
the array handling is so naturalistic.

By the way, anyone use IDL hyperhelp on a Sun workstation?  
You want to be careful, I discovered a fool proof way to horribly crash  
my console totally yesterday. Even beyond reboot help!

(1) Open an xterm and rlogin to machine with IDL license.  
(2) Start hyperhelp  
(3) Go to say, "Graphics system variables" and try to pull down the  
little menu gizmo. Obviously I'm a bit vague about what happens next as my  
machine crashes at this point.

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Hi! I'm a .signature virus! Copy me into yours and join the fun!

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