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Subject: Re: plot bar graph in Postscript

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joa writes:

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> I am trying to plot a histogram. I have both the data and normal coordinates of each rectangle
that makes a bar graph, say, (x0[i],y0[i]),(x1[i],y0[i]),(x1[i],y1[i]),and (x0[i],y1[i]). Then
> for i=0, nt-1 do polyfill,[x0[i],x0[i],x1[i],x1[i]], [y0[i],y1[i],y1[i],y0[i]] , should make the graph. Yes,
it looks fine on an IDL X window. But it does not translate to a Postscript file, in which the some
bars appear slightly shifted in X-direction. I even tried
> for i=0,nt-1 do tv,bytarr(1,1)+120b,x0[i],y0[i],xs=x1[i]-x0[i],ys=y1[i]-y0[i ],/norm (120b is just to
make the bars gray), but the result was the same.
>
> Is this a known feature of IDL? Could you advise how to make uniform bars in Postscript?
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This is basically how I draw bars in cgHistoplot. I've never seen any kind of a problem in PostScript:

[http://www.idlcoyote.com/graphics\\_tips/histoplot.php](http://www.idlcoyote.com/graphics_tips/histoplot.php)

Cheers,

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Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.idlcoyote.com/>

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

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