
Subject: Re: star symbol in labels??

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Den torsdagen den 20:e september 2012 kl. 03:09:07 UTC+2 skrev bing999:

> Hi,
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> I'd like to plot a star symbol in labels, i.e. xtitle=...
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> Do you know how to do that please?
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> Textoidl sounded to be a straightforward way to do that.
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> However, it seems that it does not support \star.
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> plot,dindgen(3,xtitle=textoidl('\star') will print \star instead of
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> the symbol.
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> However, if one plots an asterisk with \ast, it works fine...
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> I am a bit confused... Does textoidl miss some tex libraries?

Textoidl does not actually invoke TeX. It just knows how to translate a small subset of TeX to IDL strings. And it knows to do it differently depending on whether you are using vector fonts or postscript fonts.

It's fairly easy to add new symbols - provided you know the proper IDL strings. You just edit one of the tables in `textable.pro`, which can be found in the `textoidl` directory.
