Subject: Re: Make the plots invisible
Posted by David Fanning on Tue, 13 Nov 2012 16:08:02 GMT

Paul van Delst writes:

> Anyone who reads this newsgroup knows there are, uh, issues with certain
> aspects of creating graphics in NG (e.g. altogether now: COLORBAR! :o)

If the color bar doesn't work, the graphics system
doesn't work, as far as I'm concerned. I mean, come
on, we are trying to do science here!

I'm still not sure it is possible, two and a half
years after this system first came out, to compare
two images side-by-side.

I literally spent three hours yesterday, trying
to create a simple contour plot (which no one
has yet helped me with, probably because it is
impossible to create). So, clearly, these
things are not "intuitive". And, to call the
documentation "abysmal" is to be WAY too
generous.

I really don't know what to make of people telling
me these things "work well". What, exactly, are
they doing with the damn things!? It makes me
feel like an idiot when I can't get one simple
thing to work without literally spending hours and
hours trying to figure it out. You'd think it was
the remote control to the TV the way I struggle
with it! :-(

Cheers,

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