## Subject: Re: cgBoxPlot not responding to xCharsize Posted by JP on Wed, 03 Jul 2013 01:26:52 GMT

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Thanks David, will try with the updated version.

RE !P.Multi, your explanation is useful as I have already noticed some funny things happening with fonts in some of your programs.

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cheers
JP
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On Tuesday, 2 July 2013 23:21:43 UTC+10, David Fanning wrote:
 JP writes:
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>> It seems that cgBoxPlot is not responding to the xCharsize keyword. I
> tried the code below:
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>>
>> PS_Start, 'cgHistoplot.png'
    !P.Multi=[0,3,1]
>>
>
    labels=['var1','var2','var3','var4']
>>
    cgdisplay, 1000, 300
>>
    cgBoxPlot, randomn(seed, 4, 1000), labels=labels
>>
    cgBoxPlot, randomn(seed, 4, 1000), labels=labels, xCharsize=0.5
>>
    cgBoxPlot, randomn(seed, 4, 1000), labels=labels, xCharsize=0.25
>>
>> PS_End, resize=100, /png
>
>
  Yes, I was using the XCharsize value incorrectly in this program. You
  can find an updated version here:
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>
    http://www.idlcoyote.com/programs/cgboxplot.pro
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>
  Unfortunately, this is not going to solve all your problems. :-)
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>
  The larger problem here is doing multiple plots with !P.Multi. This
>
  method of doing multiple plots is great as long as you are willing to
>
  surrender all control over plot position and character size and rely
>
  completely on the !P.Multi algorithm to set these for you. But, if you
>
  wish to control this aspect of your plots (as I do in cgBoxPlot), then
  chaos is certain to ensue.
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>
  In this particular case, since I am putting plot labels on with XYOutS,
>
  there will be a terrible mismatch between the size of the plot
>
  annotation, which is under the influence of !P.Multi, and the plot
>
  labels, which are not. Basically, you will never be able to get the two
>
> sizes to match! (Or, if you do, immediately call me with the algorithm
  you used!)
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>
  Download the updated program, then consider this code. Here is how you
  are doing things now.
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>
> !P.Multi=[0,3,1]
> labels=['var1','var2','var3','var4']
> cgdisplay, 1000, 300, wid=1
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>
  cgBoxPlot, randomn(seed, 4, 1000), labels=labels
  cgBoxPlot, randomn(seed, 4, 1000), labels=labels, xCharsize=0.75
  cgBoxPlot, randomn(seed, 4, 1000), labels=labels, xCharsize=1.25
 !P.multi=0
>
  You can see the plot annotations are all over the map!
>
  In this case, it will make a LOT more sense to use cgLayout to set up
>
  your plot positions, which will allow you to control your plot
  annotations exactly. There will be no interference from !P.Multi.
>
  See how much more sense this way of drawing the plots makes.
>
  positions = cgLayout([3,1], xGap=5, oxMargin=[5,5], $
     oyMargin=[5,3])
>
  labels=['var1','var2','var3','var4']
  cgdisplay, 1000, 300
>
  cgBoxPlot, randomn(seed, 4, 1000), labels=labels, $
>
     Position=positions[*,0]
  cgBoxPlot, randomn(seed, 4, 1000), labels=labels, $
     Position=positions[*,1], /NoErase, XCharsize=0.75, $
>
     Charsize=0.75
>
 cgBoxPlot, randomn(seed, 4, 1000), labels=labels, $
>
     Position=positions[*,2], /NoErase, XCharsize=1.25, $
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    Charsize=1.25
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> Cheers,
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> David
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> --
> David Fanning, Ph.D.
> Fanning Software Consulting, Inc.
> Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: http://www.idlcoyote.com/
> Sepore ma de ni thue. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
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