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Subject: Re: Coyote Graphics PS/PDF output size/orientation  
Posted by [Paul Levine](#) on Wed, 14 Aug 2013 02:11:00 GMT  
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On 2013-08-14 00:38:34 +0000, David Fanning said:

> Paul Levine writes:  
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>> I tried adding the WXSize and WYSize (though I used 800 for x and 600  
>> for y because I am trying to get landscape output), but I still get the  
>> same result, i.e. PNG oriented correctly and PDF rotated 90 degrees.  
>>  
>> But this brings up a somewhat-related question about PNG output. When  
>> I use WXSize=800 and WYSize=600 my PNG file ends up being 752 x 556  
>> pixels, and the bottom of my x axis title is chopped off. Should I not  
>> be getting 800 x 600 pixels out? And is my truncated title indicative  
>> of some mistake on my part? The PDF file shows the entire x axis  
>> title, but of course the file itself is 8.5 x 11 inches.  
>  
> Well, I tested this pretty thoroughly before I posted, but I'm almost  
> certainly not using the code you are. Can you send me some example code  
> so we are comparing apples with apples?  
>  
> I'm never surprised to find the Mac acting strangely, but this seems  
> reasonable straightforward to me.  
>  
> Cheers,  
>  
> David

Hi David,

I made some example code that simulates the plots I'm trying to make (two data sets, two y axes, each with a title, plotted over time, x-axis labels are month and year, so x axis title needs to get pushed down). The example creates both a png and a pdf for each of the following cases:

1. no resizing
2. resizing to 800 x 800
3. resizing to 800 x 600
4. resizing to 800 x 400
5. resizing to 600 x 800

I tried three different ways of resizing:

1. Calling cgWindow with xwsize and ywsize as the first command, followed by cgPlot with /addcmd

2. Calling `cgPlot` with `xwsize` and `ywsize` as arguments as the first command
3. Putting `xwsize` and `ywsize` as arguments in the new and improved `cgControl`

All three of these resize methods produced identical results, as I imagine they should, so I went with the third method

I suspect you might find all sorts of bad in my example code (even things unrelated to graphic file output); please feel free to point out anything I am doing wrong.

Also, I should mention, I am using:

Mac OS X 10.8.4

IDL 8.2.3

Coyote Graphics downloaded at 5:30 pm PDT on August 13, 2013

GPL Ghostscript 9.06

ImageMagick 6.8.6-6 (installed via MacPorts, and I included `SetEnv`, `'PATH=/opt/local/bin:$PATH'` as you suggested on your webpage)

Example code:

```
time = indgen(100)*36 + 2451545 ; creates a vector of julian days from
2000-2009
date_label = label_date(date_format = ['%M!C%Y'])
data1 = (randomu(seed,100)*60)-30
data2 = (randomu(seed,100)*20)-10
cgPlot, time, data1, thick=4, title = 'Title for Plot', /window, $
  yrange=[-50, 50], ytickinterval=10, yminor=1, ytitle = 'Data Value', $
  xtickunits = 'months', xtickformat = 'label_date', xticks = 20,
  xtickinterval = 12, $
  xrange=[julday(1,1,2000),julday(1,1,2009)], xtitle = '!CDate'
cgAxis, Yaxis=1, yrange=[-10,10], ytickinterval=5, yminor=2, ytitle =
'Another Data Value', /window, /save
cgOplot, time, data2, linestyle=2, thick=1, /window
al_legend, ['Data 1', 'Data 2'], linestyle=[0,2], thick=[4,1], /window
cgControl, Output='Resize_none.pdf'
cgControl, Output='Resize_none.png'
cgControl, Resize=800, Output='Resize_800x800.pdf'
cgControl, Resize=800, Output='Resize_800x800.png'
cgControl, Resize=[800,600], Output='Resize_800x600.pdf'
cgControl, Resize=[800,600], Output='Resize_800x600.png'
cgControl, Resize=[800,400], Output='Resize_800x400.pdf'
cgControl, Resize=[800,400], Output='Resize_800x400.png'
cgControl, Resize=[600,800], Output='Resize_600x800.pdf'
cgControl, Resize=[600,800], Output='Resize_600x800.png'
```

The resulting PDF and PNG files can be seen at

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/3945ubx8b61xyoo/APfJsg-cl>

But to summarize what I got:

All PDF files are 8.5 x 11 inches

Resize\_none.pdf, Resize\_800x600.pdf, and Resize\_800x400.pdf are all rotated 90 degrees (i.e., I would need to rotate the PDF display 90 degrees clockwise to see the graphic correctly), and the graphic is framed at different sizes within the 8.5 x 11 inch page

Resize\_800x800.pdf and Resize\_600x800 show the graphic in the correct orientation; both are framed at different sizes within the 8.5 x 11 inch page.

All PNG files have the correct orientation (no rotation of the graphic)

Resize\_none.png is 717 x 573 pixels

Resize\_800x800.png is 573 x 573 pixels, and the right side y axis title is partially cut off

Resize\_800x600.png is 742 x 556 pixels, and the x axis title is partially cut off

Resize\_800x400.png is 742 x 371 pixels, the x axis title is completely cut off, and the x axis labels are partially cut off

Resize\_600x800.png is 556 x 742 and the right side y axis title is partially cut off

Thank you for your help!

Paul

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