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Subject: Re: Error with MapProjection::Forward  
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 27 Nov 2013 16:38:54 GMT  
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Madhavan Bomidi writes:

> The problems I noticed are ...

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> (1) The google static map link provided top of my code shows a high resolution map while the lat-lon axis overlaying google map in the code is at a low resolution. I wanted to have the map at a high resolution because my overlaying points are very close by. Can you where I am going wrong?

I'm not sure what you mean by "low resolution". My guess is that you are referring to Hershey fonts in the display window. Yes, they are not as nice as the function graphics fonts. This is usually not much of a problem, since the point of Coyote Graphics is to produce "high resolution" raster and PostScript output. The "low resolution" you see will be fixed as soon as you try to share your result with someone. :-)

If you mean by "low resolution" that you want to zoom into the area more, you do that by setting the zoom factor. Setting the zoom to 18 or 20 spreads the points out.

> (2) I guess I am doing something wrong with cgDisplay and cgImage while providing the dimensions. How to provide these dimensions for any google static map while overlaying the axis?

I'm not sure I understand this question, but it is probably related to too much hard-coding of numbers in the code I wrote. I could make it more general by using the Keep\_Aspect keyword on the cgImage command and by using the "output" position of the image in the window as the position for the map projection (with the OPOS keyword to cgImage). You can use the Aspect keyword to cgDisplay to match the aspect ratio of the image, if that is what you want.

I'll see if I can find the time today (I am suppose to be cleaning the house for my wife while she cooks!) to make the change.

> (3) Can anyone provide me an example to include different colors for my points with CgPlots and also text / label near the point?

I guess I would use the Color keyword to specify whatever color you wanted.

```
numColors = N_Elements(geo_lon)
cgLoadCT, 33, NColors=numColors
cgPlotS, geo_lon, geo_lat, COLOR=Bindgen(numColors), $
      PSYM=16, SYMSIZE=1.2, MAP_OBJECT=mapCoord
```

You put text near a point by using the location of the point and "offsetting" the location a bit. I find the ALIGNMENT keyword to cgText to be useful when doing this. This always requires some trial and error to get things looking the way you want them to. There is no general way to do this. If I want the offset distance in device coordinates, I have to make sure to translate device coordinates to data coordinates. This is the purpose of the Convert\_Coord function in IDL.

Cheers,

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

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