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Subject: Re: histogram function question  
Posted by [Burch](#) on Fri, 06 Mar 2015 16:08:09 GMT  
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On Friday, March 6, 2015 at 8:03:05 AM UTC-6, Dae-Kyu Shin wrote:

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> hi
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> here is a example code
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>
> data = [0, 0.3, 1.3d]
> h1 = HISTOGRAM(data, nbin=3, min=0, max=1, loc=loc1)
> h2 = HISTOGRAM(data, binsize=0.5d, min=0, max=1, loc=loc2)
>
> print, h1
> print, h2
>
> h1 = 2      0      1
> h2 = 2      0      0
>
>
> h1 and h2 is not equal!!
> is it correct??
>
>
> thanks
```

There is a note in the documentation for the MAX keyword:

"Note: If NBINS is specified, the value for MAX will be adjusted to NBINS\*BINSIZE + MIN. This ensures that the last bin has the same width as the other bins."

So it seems for h1 BINSIZE is calculated to be

$$(\text{max} - \text{min})/(\text{nbins}-1) = 0.5$$

and then max is adjusted to

$$\text{nbins} * \text{binsize} + \text{min} = 1.5,$$

whereas in h2 there is no \*internal\* adjustment to MAX.

-Jeff

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