
Subject: Re: Using color table to map symbol colors in plot

Posted by [laura.hike](#) on Mon, 22 May 2017 22:12:45 GMT

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On Friday, May 19, 2017 at 2:59:51 AM UTC-7, Markus Schmassmann wrote:

> On 05/19/2017 03:26 AM, LMH wrote:

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>> I can't find a similar question from earlier, but feel free to point

>> me to one instead of answering.

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>> I am making a map and would like to overplot values at given

>> locations. The values are at random positions, so I want to plot

>> them as dots, not using a contour plot. (Maybe if I get desperate

>> I'll try that.) I start with

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>> m = map("geographic",limit = [-25,139.8,-9.9,155]) m1 =

>> mapcontinents(/ hires)

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>> I have three sets of data, lats, lons, and some values in an array

>> we'll call "values". I want to plot points at the locations of the

>> lat, lon pairs with the colors based on values. So after using a

>> loadct, I scale the values to 0-255 in "ivalues". What I want to do

>> next is something like

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>> p = plot(lons, lats, color = ivalues, linestyle = 'none', symbol =

>> 'o', sym_filled = 1, /overplot)

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>> but I get "PLOT: Invalid internal color." when I do. I can plot

>> the data using one color value at a time, i.e.,

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>> p1 = plot(lons[where(c eq 225)], lats[where(c eq 225)], color =

>> 'yellow', linestyle = 'none', symbol = 'o', sym_filled = 1,

>> /overplot)

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>> but, even in that style, not with a numerical value corresponding to

>> the color table, i.e., color = 255. Is there any way to do what I'm

>> looking for? From what I can tell, all of the color properties used

>> with "plot" (like "symbol_color" or just "color") only take the named

>> palette of colors as shown on

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>> <https://www.harrisgeospatial.com/docs/formattingsymsandlines.html>

> try one of these:

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> s=scatterplot(lon,lat,symbol='o',sym_filled=1,/overplot,magn itude=ivalues,rgb_table=yourCT)

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> p=plot(lon,lat,linestyle = 'none', symbol='o', sym_filled = 1,\$

> /overplot,vert_colors=yourCT[* ,ivalues])

>

> where yourCT is the color table in format byte(3,255)
>
> code not tested, I hope this does what you are looking for, Markus

Thanks, the "scatterplot" version worked great. (I didn't try the other.)
