
Subject: Lost EXPONENT

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Sat, 04 Jan 2003 19:03:19 GMT

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Folks,

I am working on an article about labeling minor tick marks on log axes (sigh...) and I am running across references to a program "exponent.pro", supposedly written by Stein Vidar. Does anyone have this program?

Thanks.

Cheers,

David

P.S. Let's just say if anyone has developed anything better than Martin Schultz's AXLABEL and LOGLEVELS routines, I like to hear about it. :-)

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Subject: Re: Lost EXPONENT

Posted by [Stein Vidar Hagfors H\[2\]](#) on Thu, 09 Jan 2003 18:49:09 GMT

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David Fanning <david@dfanning.com> writes:

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Now, David! I don't know about AXLABEL and LOGLEVELS, but after trying in vain to find the exponent.pro routine in my own path, google helpfully points me to this page:

<http://www.dfanning.com/tips/exponents.html>

It says "Last Updated 4 March 1999" so I guess it's forgiveable (any program from last millennium is outdated?), but it's kind of funny anyhow. And yes, certain stylistic features indicate that I am indeed the author ("my moderately late second millennium style")!

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Subject: Re: Lost EXPONENT

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Thu, 09 Jan 2003 19:14:00 GMT

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Stein Vidar Hagfors Haugan (steinhh@astro.uio.no) writes:

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Oh, right. This is funny, because it was suggested to me several weeks ago that I could find it on my web page. So I went searching for it. I got so annoyed with the search engine I had there (I was searching a lot of documents and not finding what I was looking for) that I replaced the search engine with a Google search engine. Then I forgot to go looking for the thing I was looking for in the first place!

Sigh... I hear they are making great progress on the Alzheimer's front. I hope so. :-(

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Subject: Re: Lost EXPONENT

Posted by [Stein Vidar Hagfors H\[2\]](#) on Thu, 09 Jan 2003 19:23:11 GMT

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This is what should be done with about 90% of all "search this site" engines. The only ones that tend to do better than google are the ones that deal with a structured data base (e.g. look up & compare prices, etc).

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I do this all the time. A little suspicious that trying once more to locate the routine didn't trigger a recall of the previous search result, though?

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