
Subject: xyouts precision

Posted by [Krista](#) on Thu, 03 Mar 2005 21:06:00 GMT

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Hello All,

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Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Fri, 04 Mar 2005 09:11:39 GMT

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Krista wrote:

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Dear Krista,

I am not sure to understand right but probably this is the solution
plot,findgen(10),ytitle='first!Csecond'

The !C is used for the linebreak

cheers
Reimar

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a IDL library at Forschungszentrum Juelich
http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl_icglib/idl_lib_intro.html

Subject: Re: xyouts precision

Posted by [Krista](#) on Fri, 04 Mar 2005 20:03:58 GMT

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Reimar,

Thank you for the help; your suggestion worked perfectly! The linebreak feature will come in handy. Thanks again.

Krista

Subject: Re: xyouts precision

Posted by [Ken Mankoff](#) on Sat, 05 Mar 2005 18:20:38 GMT

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On Thu, 3 Mar 2005, Krista wrote:

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> better way to add the second label? Thanks.

I don't understand the xyouts problem you are having.

What means

> One decimal point precision
?

I get higher precision:

```
plot, indgen(10)
```

```
xyouts, 4, 2, 'hello world'
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xyouts, 4.2, 2, 'hello world'
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xyouts, 4.21, 2, 'hello world'
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Are you in PS? X? using /DATA, /NORMAL, /DEVICE?

Some other useful font resources:

<http://physweb.mnstate.edu/mcraig/TeXtoIDL/>

<http://www.astro.washington.edu/deutsch-bin/idllibsrch?keyword=font>

http://www.dfanning.com/graphics_tips/lesign.html

-k.

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<http://spacebit.dyndns.org/>

Subject: Re: xyouts precision

Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Tue, 08 Mar 2005 14:38:28 GMT

andrew.cool@dsto.defence.gov.au (Andrew Cool) writes:

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> Reimar Bauer <R.Bauer@fz-juelich.de> wrote in message
news:<d097n5$hj6$2@zam602.zam.kfa-juelich.de>...
>
> [snip]
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> Well!! After 14 years of using IDL, I never knew this!
> And I wish I had found this out back in 1991.
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I use this all the time. It's great.

One useful way to get "top-right" justified labels on graphs is to do something like this,

```
xyouts, !x.crangle(1), !y.crangle(1), /data, '!CLabel Text ', align=1.0
```

The real trick is the "!C" in front. Normally, a Y coordinate of !Y.CRANGLE(1) would put the text above the top of the graph, but by putting a carriage return, the text appears just below the top, inside the graph.

The ALIGN=1.0 keyword puts the text against the right side of the graph, and the few " " spaces at the end give it a bit of a margin.

Craig

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