
Subject: Re: !P.SYMSIZE still broken? after 5 years?
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Thu, 26 Oct 2006 00:12:45 GMT
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Gianguido Cianci writes:

>
> it seems that if I define !P.SIMSYZE=2, in an idl startup file or at
> the prompt, it has no effect on the size plot uses. I couldn't figure
> it out so I logically searched the forum and found this:
>
> <http://tinyurl.com/ylnzej>
>
> Wot?! same problem but systime(1)-t0 = 2.8e6
>
> So what is going on? did I mess up or is this still an issue?

I thought only MY complaints got on the "low priority" list!
Holes in contour plots, NLEVELS keywords that give an arbitrary
number of levels, decent direct graphics fonts

Welcome to the direct graphics dead letter box. :-)

Cheers,

David

P.S. Do you believe in reincarnation? Maybe next time.
This train has come and gone!

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Subject: Re: !P.SYMSIZE still broken? after 5 years?
Posted by [cgguido](#) on Thu, 26 Oct 2006 01:36:53 GMT
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It's all very sad :'(

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RSI/ITTVIS seem quite evenhanded apparently :-)

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I hope you are not saying direct graphics is dead? just the letter box, right? why is the latter dead if the former is not? or am I missing something?

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Should I be jumping off and trying to catch the next one? Is this train to the future called object graphics? I must admit I have NEVER knowingly used an object in IDL - only fooled around in Java a long time ago. Where's a good place to start? I am quite confused...

As for !P.SYMSIZE and PLOT/OPLOT, I think I will just try to write UBERPLOT/UBEROPLLOT so that it explicitly uses the !P value...

Thanks,
Gianguido

Subject: Re: !P.SYMSIZE still broken? after 5 years?
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Thu, 26 Oct 2006 05:04:58 GMT
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Subject: Re: !P.SYMSIZE still broken? after 5 years?
Posted by [Jean H.](#) on Thu, 26 Oct 2006 15:45:16 GMT
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For objects in general, you can have a look at

"Programming IDL Objects: Why and how to do it" by D. M. Zarro (L-3Com/GSFC)

<http://orpheus.nascom.nasa.gov/~zarro/idl/objects/>

Jean

Subject: Re: !P.SYMSIZE still broken? after 5 years?
Posted by [cgguido](#) on Thu, 26 Oct 2006 19:07:18 GMT
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Thanks a lot Jean and David! Very helpful as usual!

Gianguido
