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Subject: Re: tv with axes routine

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Sat, 02 Dec 2006 22:08:45 GMT

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```
xrange = [-5, 5]
yrange = [5, 15]
image = Dist(256)
LoadCT, 33, NColors=100, Bottom=1, /Silent
position = [0.1, 0.1, 0.9, 0.75]
TVImage, BytScl(image, Top=99), Position=position, $
/Keep_Aspect, /Erase, /NoInterpolate
Plot, xrange, yrange, XRange=xrange, YRange=yrange, $
  Position=position, XStyle=1, YStyle=1, /NoData, /NoErase
Colorbar, Range=[Min(image), Max(image)], Divisions=10, $
  Minor=5, NColors=100, Bottom=1, $
  Position=[position[0], 0.88, position[2], 0.95]
```

You could easily slap this into a wrapper procedure if you like. Call it IMAGESC. :-)

You can find the relevant programs in the Coyote Library.

<http://www.dfanning.com/documents/programs.html>

Cheers,

David

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David Fanning, Ph.D.  
Fanning Software Consulting, Inc.  
Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.dfanning.com/>  
Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

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Subject: Re: tv with axes routine  
Posted by [Brian Larsen](#) on Sat, 02 Dec 2006 22:27:28 GMT  
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Odd enough this doesn't work the first time I call it. I get non-square axes and a colorbar but nothing in it.

Then I can it again and I get the right thing splattered overtop the wrong thing...

-Brian

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Posted by [Brian Larsen](#) on Sat, 02 Dec 2006 22:30:20 GMT  
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Oops, this being TVIMAGE

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Posted by [mmeron](#) on Sat, 02 Dec 2006 23:53:08 GMT  
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Subject: Re: tv with axes routine  
Posted by [Brian Larsen](#) on Sun, 03 Dec 2006 00:03:37 GMT  
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Oh, that's a dead mailbox, the proper address is in the sig. But no  
matter, got your address, I'll zip the library and email it to you.

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Posted by [mmeron](#) on Sun, 03 Dec 2006 02:54:02 GMT  
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Posted by [Paolo Grigis](#) on Mon, 04 Dec 2006 09:21:18 GMT

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```

```
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```

```
ny=600
```

```
;image
```

```
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```

```
;log scaled axis
```

```
x=10.^(findgen(nx)/(nx-1)*2)
```

```
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```

```
;pick color table
```

```
loadct,5
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spectro_plot,im,x,y,/xlog,/ylog,/xstyle,/ystyle,/no_ut
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Ciao,  
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spectro\_plot is a good routine but seems to have a touch of odd  
behavior (I didn't know about this routine before)

odd behavior:

```
;; setup some data
dat = dist(100)
;; x is just 1:100
x = findgen(100)
y = findgen(100)
;; y has a datagap at 49 by 100
y[50:]*= 100
spectro_plot, dat, x, y, /no_ut
END
```

I would expect the plot to have a 100 unit gap in y but instead I get oddness.

Have a look,

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