
Subject: Re: tick text in stead of numbers

Posted by [raval.chintan](#) on Tue, 26 Jun 2007 09:01:46 GMT

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On Jun 26, 1:24 pm, maffie <matthias.demuz...@geo.kuleuven.be> wrote:

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When putting tick marks ... try out this ...

```
print,string(65b)
```

It will print A. Here 65 is ascii number for A... same way you can find ascii for U.

Regards
Chintan

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Posted by [Wox](#) on Tue, 26 Jun 2007 09:43:10 GMT

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<matthias.demuzere@geo.kuleuven.be> wrote:

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Something like this?

plot,indgen(12),XTICKN=string(bindgen(1,26)+65b),XTICKS=12,X TICKV=indgen(26)

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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 26 Jun 2007 14:22:40 GMT

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Wox writes:

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Well, except for the fact that this gets the letters in exactly the opposite order of the desired result, I guess this is "something like" what you need. :-)

I would do it like this. But I note that U...A is not 12 letters, but 11. You need this from W...A if you are going to do it correctly.

First, create this tick formatting function.

```
FUNCTION ValToStr, axis, index, value
```

```
  letters = Reverse(Bindgen(26))  
  thisLetter = String(letters[2*index] + 62B)
```

```
  RETURN, thisLetter  
END
```

Then, apply it like this:

```
IDL> plot,indgen(12),XTICKS=11,XTICKFORMAT='valtostr'
```

Cheers,

David

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
