
Subject: Re: Error in coyote's colorbar

Posted by [R.G.Stockwell](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2007 16:53:39 GMT

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"Brian Larsen" <balarsen@gmail.com> wrote in message

news:1192119579.974652.297380@o80g2000hse.googlegroups.com.. .

> David et al,

...

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Cheers,
bob

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Posted by [Brian Larsen](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2007 17:00:15 GMT

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idl/larsen/fanning/colorbar.pro

% \$MAIN\$

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Cheers,

Brian

Brian Larsen

Subject: Re: Error in coyote's colorbar
Posted by [R.G.Stockwell](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2007 17:32:17 GMT
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"Brian Larsen" <balarsen@gmail.com> wrote in message
news:1192122015.534351.251220@r29g2000hsg.googlegroups.com.. .

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You are trying to plot from -inf to 70.
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Posted by [Paul Van Delst\[1\]](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2007 17:37:23 GMT
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What is the output of

```
LogLevels([0.,70.7107])
```

?

Is it acceptable for ytickv input? Is it consistent with

```
range=[0.,70.7107]
```

?

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Posted by [Brian Larsen](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2007 17:45:14 GMT

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I agree, but the issue is that in general (or kinda general) you don't really know how far above zero to go, like sometimes .1 is far enough and others .001 is what it takes for the plot. I was hoping to let loglevels and idl figure out the right answer,

```
colorbar, yrange=[0.1,70.7107], /ylog, /vertical,$  
ytickv=LogLevels([0.1,70.7107])
```

does work but it doesn't look right.

How does idl properly handle?
plot, alog10(findgen(100)/10.)
since that is also -inf to ~1

Brian

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Subject: Re: Error in coyote's colorbar

Posted by [Brian Larsen](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2007 17:49:03 GMT

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> What is the output of

>

> `LogLevels([0.,70.7107])`

this is from http://www.dfanning.com/tip_examples/loglevels.pro

IDL> print, `LogLevels([0.,70.7107])`

0.10000000 1.0000000 10.000000

this seems consistent to me as it is inside the range.

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Subject: Re: Error in coyote's colorbar

Posted by [R.G.Stockwell](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2007 17:56:39 GMT

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"Brian Larsen" <balarsen@gmail.com> wrote in message

news:1192124714.944888.178400@v3g2000hsg.googlegroups.com...

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> `plot, alog10(findgen(100)/10.)`

this is plotting an array with -inf in it, which is ignored by plot.

It then is plotting the next value (for instance -1) so it is fine.

You are explicitly telling the plot command to plot from -inf to 70, which it cannot do.

how about setting range = [min(loglevels[0,70.7107]), max(loglevels[0,70.7107])] ?

Cheers,
bob

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Posted by [Brian Larsen](#) on Thu, 11 Oct 2007 18:08:15 GMT
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> which it cannot do.

ok, that makes sense.

> how about setting range = [min(loglevels[0,70.7107]),
> max(loglevels[0,70.7107])] ?

oddly, this has the same error:

```
IDL> colorbar, range=[min(loglevels([0,70.7107])),  
max(loglevels([0,70.7107]))], /ylog, /vertical,  
ytickv=LogLevels([0,70.7107])  
% AXIS: Data coordinate system not established.  
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idl/larsen/fanning/colorbar.pro  
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% Execution halted at: $MAIN$
```

this however, does work:

```
colorbar, range=[0,70.7107], /ylog, /vertical, /minor, $  
ticknames=LogLevels([0,70.7107]), $  
divisions=n_elements(LogLevels([0,70.7107]))
```

except there is n+1 ticks so there is one extra label (and in the wrong place)

this is the equivalent that you can run without loglevels():

```
colorbar, range=[0,70.7107], /ylog, /vertical, /minor,$  
ticknames=[.1,1,10], divisions=3
```

Cheers,

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Subject: Re: Error in coyote's colorbar
Posted by [Loren Anderson](#) on Fri, 12 Oct 2007 15:38:15 GMT
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Another way to approach this problem may be to scale the colors and not the image, especially since you are working with a small dynamic range.

```
TVLCT, r, g, b, /Get  
rnew = logscl(r) ;These are David Fanning routines as well  
bnew = logscl(g)  
gnew = logscl(b)  
TVLCT, rnew, gnew, bnew  
colorbar, minrange = 0, maxrange = 70.7107, format = '(f6.2)', /  
vertical, /right
```

The colors in the colorbar are logarithmic, but the values are linear, if that makes any sense. I don't like scaling the images because it can take a long time for the images I work with. I think it's easier to read too.

-Loren

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Posted by [Brian Larsen](#) on Fri, 12 Oct 2007 18:20:56 GMT
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```
> Not David but, do you mean yrange? Try:  
>  
> colorbar, yrange=[0.001,70.7107]
```

hmm, now here is some oddness...

```
colorbar, range=[0.,70.7107], /ylog, /vertical,  
ytickv=LogLevels([0.,70.7107]) , yticks=0
```

works just fine (just have to play with the format keyword)

and

```
colorbar, range=[0.,70.7107], /ylog, /vertical,  
ytickv=LogLevels([0.,70.7107])  
errors...
```

So the difference is just the yticks=0 keyword.

What does that mean? Now I am confused.

Cheers,

Brian

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