
Subject: Re: Symsize doesn't seem to work?

Posted by [Chris\[6\]](#) on Sat, 21 Mar 2009 02:26:20 GMT

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On Mar 20, 3:42 pm, stefan5...@hotmail.com wrote:

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>     loadct,13
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>     xtitle='HJD - 2450000',$
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chris

Subject: Re: Symsize doesn't seem to work?

Posted by [Jeremy Bailin](#) on Sun, 22 Mar 2009 12:55:47 GMT

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and then use `psym=8` and `symsize=whatever`.

-Jeremy.

Subject: Re: Symsize doesn't seem to work?
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Sun, 22 Mar 2009 22:45:47 GMT
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Jeremy Bailin writes:

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SYMCAT has a list of 45 or so symbols, one of which
is a filled circle:

<http://www.dfanning.com/programs/symcat.pro>

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.")

Subject: Re: Symsize doesn't seem to work?
Posted by [David Klassen](#) on Tue, 24 Mar 2009 11:53:47 GMT
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On Mar 22, 8:55 am, Jeremy Bailin <astroco...@gmail.com> wrote:

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Interestingly, in the PostScript, a dot is a filled polygon. No
wonder
my 40000 point, psym=3 plots are HUGE.