
Subject: Re: Log-scaled colorbar example

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Mon, 23 May 2011 14:21:41 GMT

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> colorbar using the COLORBAR function, I came up with a way to manually
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> me know if this seems correct I would really appreciate it.

I can't get the first part of the program to run. In fact, I can't
get past the first line in the program that creates the graphics
window. I'm running IDL 8.1. :-(

```
IDL> .go
% Attempt to call undefined procedure/function: 'AXIS_PROPERTIES'.
% Error occurred at: GRAPHIC          22 C:\Program Files\ITT\IDL
\IDL80\lib\graphics\graphic_error.pro
%          WINDOW          35 C:\Program Files\ITT\IDL
\IDL80\lib\graphics\window.pro
%          $MAIN$          1 C:\IDL\coyote_8\cbar_example_
1.pro
% Execution halted at: $MAIN$          1 C:\IDL\coyote_8
\cbar_example_1.pro
```

Cheers,

David

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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Mon, 23 May 2011 14:26:22 GMT

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Well, hang on, I can't even create a simple plot this morning.
The only thing I have done so far is change my !DLM_DIR. But
that has seemed to cause some havoc.

Let me see if I can figure this out. :-(

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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Mon, 23 May 2011 14:41:17 GMT
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My fault, I guess. There was some confusion about
which version of IDL I was running. Setting everything
back to "defaults", then trying to set my !DLM_PATH
again in IDL 8.1 has seemed to work.

Anyway, your code runs fine now. Looks good. :-)

Cheers,

David

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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Mon, 23 May 2011 15:37:38 GMT
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Well, your plots are beautiful, but I am not sure they
are correct. :-)

Here is code that I *know* produces the correct result:

```
image = cgDemoData(7) ; World Elevation Data
image = Scale_Vector(image, 1, 2500L)
logImage = Alog10(image)
s = Size(image, /Dimensions)
cgDisplay, 600, 400, Title='Logarithmic Color Bar'
LoadCT, 33, /Silent, NColors=254
pos = [0.1, 0.1, 0.8, 0.9]
cgImage, BytScl(logImage, Top=253), Position=pos, /Keep_Aspect
cgPlot, [0], [0], /NoErase, XRange=[0,s[0]], YRange=[0,s[1]], $
  XStyle=1, YStyle=1, Color=cgColor('black', 255), Position=pos
cgColorbar, /YLOG, YTICKS=0, Range=[Min(image), Max(image)], $
  NColors=254, Color=cgColor('black', 255), /Vertical
END
```

How do I know? I can check it.

```
IDL> cgImageInfo, image
```

You can click in the graphics window and the image position
and value will be printed in the command log. (Right click
to exit the cgImageInfo program.) You can clearly see that
the image value corresponds to the colors on the color bar.

Can you reproduce this figure and color bar with your
code? (I haven't been able to, but I've spent less than
an hour trying.) When you can reproduce this figure, then
I think you are on the right track.

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Posted by [Kim](#) on Tue, 24 May 2011 14:42:05 GMT

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Kim

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; Read image
image = cgDemoData(7) ; World Elevation Data
image = Scale_Vector(image, 1, 2500L)
logImage = Alog10(image)
X = FLOAT([MIN(IMAGE),MAX(IMAGE)])
XLOG = [MIN(LOGIMAGE),MAX(LOGIMAGE)]

; Create the color bar image
PX = 200 & PY = 20
RGB_TABLE=33
COLOR_RANGE = [0.0,255.0]
NCOLORS = COLOR_RANGE(1) - COLOR_RANGE(0) + 1
SARR = X(0)+((X(1)-X(0))/
```

```

256)*FINDGEN(256)                ; scale the array to 256
intervals (adapted from the jhuapl routine maken)
  Z = REFORM(((SARR - X(0))*FLOAT(COLOR_RANGE(1)-COLOR_RANGE(0))/(X(1)-
X(0)) + COLOR_RANGE(0)),[256,1])<255 ; adapted from the jhuapl
routine scalearray
  XX = FIX(COLOR_RANGE(0)+((COLOR_RANGE(1)-COLOR_RANGE(0))/
(NCOLORS-1))*FINDGEN(PX))        ; create a scaled x
array
  YY = FIX(COLOR_RANGE(0)+((COLOR_RANGE(1)-COLOR_RANGE(0))/
(NCOLORS-1))*FINDGEN(PY))        ; create a scaled y
array
  BARARR = INTERPOLATE(Z,XX,YY,/
GRID)                            ; interpolate to fill in the
image array

; Linear example
W = WINDOW(DIMENSIONS=[800,800],LAYOUT=[2,1,1])
IMG = IMAGE(IMAGE,RGB_TABLE=RGB_TABLE,/
CURRENT,LAYOUT=[2,1,1],TITLE='Linear')
CB = COLORBAR(TARGET=IMG,TITLE='IDL')
POS =
CB.POSITION                      ;
determine position for the second colorbar
  POS(1) = pos(1)-.1
  POS(3) = POS(3)-.1
  BARIMG = IMAGE(BARARR,/
CURRENT,POSITION=POS,RGB_TABLE=RGB_TABLE) ; display the bar image
then overplot the tick values
  P = PLOT(X,
[0,1],POSITION=POS,XRANGE=X,YRANGE=[0,1],XTICKLEN=0.25,MIN_V
ALUE=X(0),MAX_VALUE=X(1),XMINOR=4,YMINOR=0,YMAJOR=0,XTITLE=' CUSTOM',/
NODATA,/CURRENT,AXIS_STYLE=1)

; Log example
IMG2 = IMAGE(LOGIMAGE,RGB_TABLE=RGB_TABLE,/
CURRENT,LAYOUT=[2,1,2],TITLE='Log Scales')
CB = COLORBAR(TARGET=IMG2,TITLE='IDL')
POS = CB.POSITION
  POS(1) = pos(1)-.1
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  BARIMG = IMAGE(BARARR,/
CURRENT,POSITION=POS,RGB_TABLE=RGB_TABLE)
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> a general purpose routine out of it, so it can be
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That is my plan, but it will probably take some time to make it versatile and completely functional.

Kim
