
Subject: positioning oplots

Posted by [jat](#) on Tue, 04 Aug 1992 17:24:59 GMT

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Does anyone know how to position 'oplots' ?

I'm trying to analyze time-series data by plotting locations and animating against time.

My particular problem arises when I have more than one plot per window (setting !p.multi to something other than 0).

At the starting frame, I 'plot' the axes with '/nodata'. I also save the axis endpoints from !x(y).window, in an array.

In subsequent frames I 'oplot' the data, erase it after a delay, and 'oplot' the next frame. I try to position the data into its respective plot by using 'position' in the 'oplot' routine with 'position' set to the saved axes for that plot. I use 'oplot' because it's somewhat faster than 'plot', I only need to change the data, not the axes, and it gets rid of the flickering associated with 'plot' in a loop.

Result: all my plots for subsequent frames end up in the last plot. 'position' seems to have no effect.

Some solutions I've tried:

(1) Setting !p.position to the axes endpoints before calling 'oplot'... Same result.

(2) I only really generate just one column of plots, Thus I figured that I can adjust the data to appear on a plot other than the last one while it is still relative to the last plot. This sort of works, but I can tell my data is off a little bit.

If anyone has any suggestions or solutions, please e-mail to me.

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Subject: Re: positioning oplots

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In article <JAT.92Aug4102459@locke.water.ca.gov>, jat@water.ca.gov (Jatinder Singh) writes...

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Try resetting the first parameter of !p.multi.

Rich Isaacman

Subject: Re: positioning oplots
Posted by [jat](#) on Wed, 05 Aug 1992 15:36:06 GMT
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Thank you all for responding. Most of you were correct in suggesting that '!p.multi(0)' had to be reset to move the plots around. However, the solution is more involved than that.

I think I misled (myself included), by asking for a solution to positioning 'oplot'. The actual (simplest) solution is to set '!p.multi(0)' to the correct plot, and use 'PLOT', and set x(y)style to at least 4 to inhibit the axes from redrawing. This way the 'PLOT' appears as an 'oplot' because the axes don't flicker.

Resetting '!p.multi(0)' doesn't have the desired affect on 'oplot'. Maybe in the next release 'oplot' can be expanded to allow positioning with multiple plots.

Thanks to
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for the following:

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x=findgen(20)  
y = x  
xrange = [min(x), max(x)]  
yrange = [min(y), max(y)]  
y2 = sqrt(y)  
!p.multi=[0,2,2,0,0]  
for i= 0, 3 do begin  
  plot,x,y,xstyle=1,ystyle=1,xrange=xrange,yrange=yrange,/noda ta  
endfor  
for i = 0, 3 do begin  
  plot,x,y2,xstyle=5,ystyle=5,xrange=xrange,$  
  yrange=yrange,/noerase  
  !p.multi=[3-i,2,2,0,0]  
endfor
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for i = 0, 3 do begin
  plot,x,y,xstyle=5,ystyle=5,xrange=xrange,yrange=yrange,/noerase
  !p.multi=[3-i,2,2,0,0]
endfor
end
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