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Subject: Overlaying multiple plots on top of map  
Posted by [Axel\[1\]](#) on Fri, 04 Nov 2011 22:26:43 GMT  
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Hi,  
I am trying to figure out how to overlay multiple plots on top of a map. To be specific, I would like to display a wind rose in a number of locations. To do this, it seems like I have to first establish the map projection and then create separate plots at various locations of the map. Using plot,/noerase lets me overplot onto of the map, but I can't figure out how to control the position. I've thought about just generating the wind roses separately and then inserting them as bitmaps into an image of the map, but that seems a bit clumsy.

An example for what I'm looking to do is here: <http://www.ipcc.ch/graphics/syr/fig2-5.jpg>

Any suggestions

Thanks  
Axel

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Subject: RE: Overlaying multiple plots on top of map  
Posted by [Krishnapriya M](#) on Sat, 01 Feb 2014 02:27:47 GMT  
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Hi,  
I want to plot a number of data sets as depth in y-axis and time in X-axis. In which unavailable data should be shown like putting a gap or giving a colour in that portion only.... I just plot it many times but there is a problem with time axis. It comes as time steps only. but I want month and year.... Can u help me to resolve this problem....

Regards,  
krishnapriya

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Subject: RE: Overlaying multiple plots on top of map  
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Sat, 01 Feb 2014 12:59:33 GMT  
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mkrishnapriya11 writes:

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Putting a gap in a plot should be done automatically by the plot command if the missing data is represented by NaNs. Coloring the gap is possible, maybe, by using the techniques illustrated in the Coyote Plot Gallery for multi-colored lines:

[http://www.idlcoyote.com/gallery/index.html#COLORED\\_LINE\\_PLOT](http://www.idlcoyote.com/gallery/index.html#COLORED_LINE_PLOT)

I would investigate the LABEL\_DATE command to see how to label your time axis with the month and year.

Cheers,

David

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Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.idlcoyote.com/>

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

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Subject: Re: Overlaying multiple plots on top of map  
Posted by [Phillip Bitzer](#) on Sat, 01 Feb 2014 23:22:46 GMT  
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On Saturday, February 1, 2014 6:59:33 AM UTC-6, David Fanning wrote:

> mkrisnapriya11 writes:

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If you need to put NaNs in the data, you might want to check out Craig's GAPNAN procedure:

<http://cow.physics.wisc.edu/~craigm/idl/down/gapnan.pro>

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