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Subject: ps\_start and color

Posted by [simona bellavista](#) on Fri, 25 May 2012 15:28:38 GMT

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Hello,

I did a plot like that

```
ps_start, file=filename
datacolor1=cgcolor("Red",!D.table_size-4)
```

```
multiplot,[1,2]
plot, vector1, ytitle='F', xstyle=1
oplot, vector2, color=datacolor1
```

```
multiplot
plot, vector1, xtitle='v[km/s]', xstyle=1
oplot, vector2,color=datacolor1
```

```
multiplot,/reset
ps_end
```

but I cannot see the red line on the ps, while I can see when I use x.  
How do I get color in ps?

thank you

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Subject: Re: ps\_start and color

Posted by [simona bellavista](#) on Fri, 25 May 2012 17:12:14 GMT

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OK, I solved everything using the cg commands!  
these colors look like a mess

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Subject: Re: ps\_start and color

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 25 May 2012 17:17:31 GMT

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simona bellavista writes:

```
> Thank you very much, a stupid mistake.
> but now I want to have a line blue and one red and I do
>
> cgplot, sp, vector1, xstyle=1, yr=[0,1], /nodata
> cgplot, sp, vector1, color = datacolor1, /over
```

```
> cgplot, sp, vector2, color=datacolor2 , /over
>
> But I both line in datacolor1 ??
```

You want this:

```
cgplot, sp, vector1, xstyle=1, yr=[0,1], /nodata
cgplot, sp, vector1, color = 'red', /over
cgplot, sp, vector2, color='blue', /over
```

Cheers,

David

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Subject: Re: ps\_start and color  
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David Fanning writes:

```
> You want this:
>
> cgplot, sp, vector1, xstyle=1, yr=[0,1], /nodata
> cgplot, sp, vector1, color = 'red', /over
> cgplot, sp, vector2, color='blue', /over
```

Or, even more succinctly:

```
cgplot, sp, vector1, xstyle=1, yr=[0,1], color='red'
cgplot, sp, vector2, color='blue', /over
```

Cheers,

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Subject: Re: ps\_start and color  
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 25 May 2012 17:48:45 GMT  
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simona bellavista writes:

> OK, I solved everything using the cg commands!  
> these colors look like a mess

Yes, colors can be a mess. One of the hardest things to learn in IDL, certainly. You may want to get a book. It would not be a mistake to think that ALL of Coyote Graphics is devoted to making sense of color! And you can read all about it, in excruciating detail here:

<http://www.idlcoyote.com/books/index.php>

Cheers,

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