
Subject: Advancing !p.multi after drawing a map
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Hi all,

I'm not sure whether I am overlooking something obvious or not...

Suppose I want to set up a window containing 2x2 plots in it. I might do this:

```
window,0  
!p.multi=[0,2,2]
```

The first element of !p.multi has the number of remaining plots for the window. So, if I type this 4 times:

```
print,!p.multi[0] & plot,findgen(3) & print,!p.multi[0] & print,' '
```

then I get as output:

```
0  
3  
  
3  
2  
  
2  
1  
  
1  
0
```

and a line is plotted each time (in each of the four corners of the screen, starting from top left).

However, if I do this instead four times (to draw a box from a map):

```
print,!p.multi[0] & map_set & print,!p.multi[0] & print,' '
```

Then I get

```
0  
3  
  
3  
3  
  
3  
3
```

3
3

i.e. !p.multi[0] is not advancing, and the map boxes are plotted directly over one another. Same behaviour if I add a map_continents command in there, too. If I try to force it to advance, it starts to, but then stops, e.g. using this four times:

```
print,!p.multi[0] & map_set & print,!p.multi[0] & !p.multi[0]=!p.multi[0]-1 & print,' '
```

0
3

2
3

2
3

2
3

... does anyone know what I'm doing wrong? I just want, when I draw a map on the screen, !p.multi=[0] to advance in recognition of the fact I've made a plot in the window.

Thanks,

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