
Subject: Dot miscentered in \sun symbol of cgsymbol?

Posted by on Thu, 04 Dec 2014 12:03:06 GMT

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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Thu, 04 Dec 2014 13:02:04 GMT

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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.")

Subject: Re: Dot miscentered in \sun symbol of cgsymbol?

Posted by on Thu, 04 Dec 2014 13:53:58 GMT

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Den torsdagen den 4:e december 2014 kl. 14:02:08 UTC+1 skrev David Fanning:

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Subject: Re: Dot miscentered in \sun symbol of cgsymbol?
Posted by [lecacheux.alain](#) on Thu, 04 Dec 2014 13:59:42 GMT
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On Thursday, December 4, 2014 2:54:00 PM UTC+1, Mats Löfdahl wrote:

> Den torsdagen den 4:e december 2014 kl. 14:02:08 UTC+1 skrev David Fanning:

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plot(/TEST,xtitle = 'R\$_{\Sun}\$')

Subject: Re: Dot miscentered in \sun symbol of cgsymbol?
Posted by on Thu, 04 Dec 2014 14:27:50 GMT
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Den torsdagen den 4:e december 2014 kl. 14:59:43 UTC+1 skrev alx:

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>  
> plot(/TEST,xtitle = 'R$_{\Sun}$')
```

Some day I might take the leap to function graphics. But not today if I can avoid it...

/Mats

Subject: Re: Dot miscentered in \sun symbol of cgsymbol?
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Thu, 04 Dec 2014 14:41:17 GMT
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Subject: Re: Dot miscentered in \sun symbol of cgsymbol?
Posted by on Thu, 04 Dec 2014 15:00:05 GMT
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Den torsdagen den 4:e december 2014 kl. 15:41:21 UTC+1 skrev David Fanning:

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Yes, beautiful! Thanks a lot.

/Mats

Subject: Re: Dot miscentered in \sun symbol of cgsymbol?

Posted by [JDS](#) on Fri, 05 Dec 2014 13:46:07 GMT

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Wow! This fixes an issue that has persisted 20 years in direct graphics. For those of us still stuck on then even more ancient PODG (plain-ole-direct-graphics), you can invoke the DejaVuSans font using the formatting code !10. E.g.:

```
xyouts,.5,.5,/normal,'M!D!10!Z(2299)!X!N',CHARSIZE=2,FONT=1
```

I see now that sunsymbol.pro has updated, using the more astronomically correct symbol at !Z(2609). Either works (pick your favorite).
