
Subject: Inconsistency in the position of the text() function
Posted by [Helder Marchetto](#) on Fri, 19 Jun 2015 08:42:21 GMT
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I'm a bit puzzled by how the position parameter of the text function works.
I expect something and get something else...
Here is a short example:

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pl = polyline([0.5,0.5],[0.0,1.0], 'r2', /norm)
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This is all fine. If I now set the alignment parameter (to the same value!), I get what I expect (no change):

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But if I set the position parameter, everything is center justified:

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Now the text is centered on the position keyword and the "alignment" parameter is not respected anymore.

Is this what one expects? I didn't expect this...

Cheers,
Helder

Subject: Re: Inconsistency in the position of the text() function
Posted by [chris_torrence@NOSPAM](#) on Mon, 22 Jun 2015 17:45:58 GMT
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On Friday, June 19, 2015 at 2:42:23 AM UTC-6, Helder wrote:

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Posted by [Helder Marchetto](#) on Mon, 22 Jun 2015 18:38:20 GMT
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On Monday, June 22, 2015 at 7:46:02 PM UTC+2, Chris Torrence wrote:
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Hi Chris,
thanks for that. Helps a lot.

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