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Subject: Polar plots using MAP routines

Posted by [jchapman](#) on Tue, 09 Jul 1996 07:00:00 GMT

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```
MAP_SET,90,90,/AZIMUTHAL,XMARGIN=10,YMARGIN=10,LIMIT=[45, -180, 90, 180]
  image = MAP_IMAGE(d,startx,starty, LATMIN = 45.0)
  TV,image,startx,starty
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the resulting display indeed has eight angular steps by 15 radial steps, the problem is that the angular bins are not equally spaced (i.e. the first and the last are considerably smaller than 45 degrees, while the intermediate six are slightly greater than this)

has anyone seen this behavior before?  
am i doing something wrong?

thanks for any suggestions

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Subject: Re: Polar plots

Posted by [David Theil](#) on Mon, 26 Aug 1996 07:00:00 GMT

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Jarrod Andrew Chapman wrote:

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>
> Does anybody have code written to plot polar data (i.e. to fill sectors of radius
> r to r + dr and angle theta to theta + dtheta) using IDL? I can't seem to find
> anything like this built into the language. I've tried using the MAP_SET routines
> with some success, but it seems like there should be a better way to do this.
> Any suggestions?
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try, for instance, something like this:

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theta=findgen(51)*!pi/50
r=cos(theta)
dr=r/10
plot,r+dr,theta,/polar
oplot,r,theta,/polar
polyfill,[r*cos(theta),(r+dr)*cos(theta)],[r*sin(theta),(r+dr)*sin(theta)]
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Of course, it would be nice if the polyfill procedure had the 'polar' keyword.

(Hint, hint, RSI!)

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No guts, no glory.

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Subject: Re: Polar plots  
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Don't know if this is exactly what you want, but it might help.

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; Program Overview: polar_plot
; Polar_axis defines and displays a polar diagram representation, and
; then plots the data.
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; J.Stupples , March 1994
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; parameters: polardat - The polar data to be displayed.
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; keywords:  Charsize - The character size of the numeric data.
;             The default is 1.
;             Color   - The color for the entire plot. The default
;             is the foreground color.
;             Data_Range - Specifies the polar angle through which
;             the data is to be viewed. The default
;             is 0 - 360.
;             Degrees  - Labels the polar axis in degrees.(switch)
;             Font     - Specifies software or hardware font.
;             Gridstyle - The gridstyle pattern the axis is to be
;             made up from.
;             Linestyle - The linestyle in which the data is to be
;             displayed.
;             Nodata   - Will draw an empty axis (switch)
;             Radians  - Labels the polar axis in radians.(switch)
;             Subtitle - Prints a subtitle under th plot.
;             Tickformat - Allows axis variables to be displayed
;             using fortran type formatting.
;             Title    - Prints a title on the plot diagram.
;             Xgridstyle - The gridstyle for the x-axis.
;             Xminor   - The number of minor tickmarks on the
;             x-axis. The default is 36.
;             Xstyle   - Specifies style of x-axis.
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;      Xticks   - The number of major tickmarks on the
;                x-axis.The default is 8.
;      Ygridstyle - The gridsyle for the y-axis.
;      Ynozero   - Prohibits the minimum value of the y-axis
;                from being zero.
;      Yrange    - Specifies the range of the y-axis.
;      Ystyle    - Specifies the style of the y-axis.
;      Yticks    - The number of major tick marks on the
;                y-axis.
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PRO Draw\_labels,degrees,radians

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IF degrees or radians THEN BEGIN

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  label = ['90','180','270']
  position = [64,0,-3,-66,-70,0]
  IF radians THEN BEGIN
    label = ['!4p!3/2','!4p','!33!4p!3/2']
    position = [64,0,-1,-66,-73,0]
  ENDIF
ENDIF

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FOR count = 0 , 4 ,2 DO BEGIN
  xyouts, position(count), position(count+1), $
    label(((count +2)/2)-1)
ENDFOR
ENDIF
END

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FUNCTION Find\_num\_of\_ticks,polardat,yrange,yticks,ynozero,ystyle,ytic kv

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tick_6 = 0
num_ticks = yticks
IF yticks EQ 0 THEN BEGIN
  PLOT, polardat>(max (polardat) - 30.0),xstyle = 4,$
    ystyle = (ystyle or 4), /nodata, yrange = yrange,$
    yticks = yticks, ytickv = ytickv, ynozero = ynozero
  range = !Y.Crange(1) - !Y.Crange(0)
  IF (range lt 100) OR (range ge 1000) THEN BEGIN
    func = '/'
    IF range lt 100 THEN func='*'
    REPEAT BEGIN
      command = 'range = range' + func + '10'
      a_dummy = execute (command)
    ENDREP UNTIL (range ge 100) and (range lt 1000)
  ENDIF
ENDIF

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FOR i = 8, 3, -1 DO BEGIN
  IF (range mod i EQ 0) and ((range / i) mod 10 EQ 0) THEN BEGIN
    num_ticks = i
    IF num_ticks EQ 6 THEN tick_6 = 1
  ENDIF
ENDIF
ENDFOR
ENDIF

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IF tick_6 AND num_ticks EQ 3 THEN num_ticks = 6

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RETURN, num_ticks

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END

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FUNCTION draw_circles, inc, num_of_circles, angle,color,$
  subtitle, title, y_gridstyle, xstyle, ygridstyle, ystyle

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  IF ygridstyle NE 0 THEN y_gridstyle = ygridstyle
  num_angles = 361
  circle = fltarr (num_angles, /nozero)
  circle (*) = inc * num_of_circles
  blank_line = fltarr(2,num_of_circles)
  blank_line (0,*) = 0.0
  num_of_blanks = num_of_circles / 2
  size_of_blank = 8
  angle_of_blank = (360 * size_of_blank)/(2 * !Dpi * circle(0))
  blank_circle = fltarr(361 - angle_of_blank - 1.0)
  blank_circle(*) = circle(0)
  blank_angle = ((findgen(360 - angle_of_blank) / 360) * 2 * !Dpi)+$
    (!Dpi / 2)+(!Dpi / (360 / angle_of_blank))
  xsize = (float (!D.X_Vsize))
  ysize = (float (!D.Y_Vsize))
  smalldim = xsize < ysize
  xdim = 0.45 * smalldim / xsize
  ydim = 0.45 * smalldim / ysize

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PLOT, (blank_circle + 7), blank_angle, /polar, xstyle = 5, ystyle = 5, $
  position = [0.5 - xdim, 0.5 - ydim, 0.5 + xdim, 0.5 + ydim],$
  color = color, subtitle = subtitle, title = title, /nodata

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count2 = -1

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FOR count = (circle(0)-(inc * num_of_circles)), $
  ((circle(0) - inc) + 0.0001), inc DO BEGIN
  count2 = count2 + 1
  IF (count2 mod 2 EQ 0) AND (num_of_blanks GT 0) THEN BEGIN
    blank_line (1,count2) = (circle(0) - count -3)
    angle_of_blank = fix((360 * size_of_blank) /$
      (2 * !Dpi * (circle(0) - count)))

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blank_circle = fltarr(num_angles - angle_of_blank - 1)
blank_circle(*) = circle(0)
blank_angle = ((findgen(360 - angle_of_blank) / 360) * 2 * !Dpi) + $
              (!Dpi / 2) + (!Dpi / (360 / angle_of_blank))
O PLOT , blank_circle - count, blank_angle, /polar, color = color, $
        linestyle = y_gridstyle, nodaata = (ystyle and 4)
num_of_blanks = num_of_blanks - 1
ENDIF else BEGIN
blank_line (1,count2) = (circle(0) - count - inc + 3)
O PLOT , circle - count, angle, /polar, color = color, $
        linestyle = y_gridstyle, nodaata = (ystyle and 4)
ENDELSE
ENDFOR
count2 = count2 + 1
blank_line(1,(((count2 / 2) * 2) - 1)) = 0
IF xstyle ne 4 THEN BEGIN
FOR count = 0 , (n_elements(blank_line) / 2) - 2 , 2 DO BEGIN
PLOTS,blank_line(*,count:count + 1),color = color,$
        linestyle = y_gridstyle
ENDFOR
ENDIF
RETURN , circle
END

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PRO Draw_lines , num_of_lines, circle, inc, num_of_ticks, max_val,$
        min_val, num_of_circles, color, gridstyle,$
        xgridstyle, xstyle

IF xgridstyle GT 0 THEN gridstyle = xgridstyle
line_angles = findgen (num_of_lines)
line_angles = line_angles * (360 / float(num_of_lines))
line_angles = (line_angles / 360) * 2 * !Dpi
lines = fltarr(2, num_of_lines * 2)
FOR count = 2, ((num_of_lines - 1) * 2), 2 DO BEGIN
line_length = 1.05
IF (line_angles(count / 2) + 0.1) mod (!Dpi / (num_of_ticks / 2))$
    GT 0.15 THEN BEGIN
line_length = 1
ENDIF
IF (line_angles(count / 2) + 0.1) mod (!Dpi / 6) GT 0.15 THEN BEGIN
x_centre = (circle(0) - (inc * (num_of_circles - 1))) * $
            sin(line_angles(count / 2))
y_centre = (circle(0) - (inc * (num_of_circles - 1))) * $
            cos(line_angles(count / 2))
ENDIF else BEGIN
x_centre = 0.0

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    y_centre = 0.0
  ENDELSE
  lines(0,count) = x_centre
  lines(1,count) = y_centre
  lines(0,count+1) = (line_length * (num_of_circles * inc)) *$
                    sin(line_angles(count / 2))
  lines(1,count+1) = (line_length * (num_of_circles * inc)) *$
                    cos(line_angles(count / 2))
  IF xstyle ne 4 THEN BEGIN
    PLOTS,lines(*,count:count+1), color = color, linestyle = gridstyle
  ENDIF
ENDFOR
END

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PRO Draw_values , num_of_circles, inc, y_vals, charsize, color, font,$
    xstyle

factor = 1
if !D.Name EQ "PS" then factor = 30.5555

x_size = !D.X_size / factor
y_size = !D.Y_size / factor
x_char_size = !D.X_ch_size / factor
y_char_size = !D.Y_ch_size / factor

IF charsize EQ -10 THEN BEGIN
  charsize = float(x_size < y_size) / 470
ENDIF

y_offset = (y_char_size * charsize) / (charsize / 0.11)

num_of_values = num_of_circles / 2
for count = 0, num_of_values - 1 do begin
  x_offset = (strlen(y_vals(count)) * x_char_size /$
             (charsize / 0.15)) * charsize
  y_pos = (num_of_circles - (count * 2)) * inc
  xyouts , - x_offset, y_pos - y_offset, y_vals(count),$
           charsize = charsize
endfor

END

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FUNCTION extract_y_vals,y_vals, tickformat

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dummy = y_vals
count1 = -1
FOR count = n_elements(y_vals) , 1, -2 DO BEGIN
  count1 = count1 +1
  dummy(count1) = y_vals(count - 1)
ENDFOR
polar_vals = dummy(0:count1 - 1)
polar_vals = string (polar_vals , format = tickformat)
RETURN , polar_vals
END

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PRO polar, polardat, charsize = charsize, color = color, font = font,$
  gridstyle = gridstyle, linestyle = linestyle, $
  nodata = nodata, subtitle = subtitle, title = title,$
  xgridstyle = xgridstyle,xminor = xminor, xstyle = xstyle,$
  xticks = xticks, ygridstyle = ygridstyle, ynozero = ynozero,$
  yrange = yrange, ystyle = ystyle, yticks = yticks,$
  ytickv = ytickv, degrees = degrees, radians = radians,$
  data_range = data_range, tickformat = tickformat

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IF (not keyword_set(charsize)) THEN charsize = -10
IF (not keyword_set(color)) THEN color = !P.Color
IF (not keyword_set(font)) THEN font = 0
IF (not keyword_set(gridstyle)) THEN gridstyle = 0
IF (not keyword_set(linestyle)) THEN linestyle = 0
IF (not keyword_set(nodata)) THEN nodata = 0
IF (not keyword_set(subtitle)) THEN subtitle = "
IF (not keyword_set(title)) THEN title = "
IF (not keyword_set(xgridstyle)) THEN xgridstyle = 0
IF (not keyword_set(xminor)) THEN xminor = 36
IF (not keyword_set(xstyle)) THEN xstyle = 0
IF (not keyword_set(xticks)) THEN xticks = 8
IF (not keyword_set(ygridstyle)) THEN ygridstyle = 0
IF (not keyword_set(ynozero)) THEN ynozero = 0
IF (not keyword_set(yrange)) THEN yrange = [0,0]
IF (not keyword_set(ystyle)) THEN ystyle = 0
IF (not keyword_set(yticks)) THEN yticks = 0
IF (not keyword_set(ytickv)) THEN ytickv = [0,0]
IF (not keyword_set(degrees)) THEN degrees = 0
IF (not keyword_set(radians)) THEN radians = 0
IF (not keyword_set(data_range)) THEN data_range = [0,360]
IF (not keyword_set(tickformat)) THEN tickformat = "

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PLOT, polardat>(max (polardat) - 30.0), ystyle = (ystyle or 4),$
  xstyle = 4, yticks = yticks, yrange = yrange, ytickv = ytickv,$

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/nodata, ynozero = ynozero

polardat1 = polardat - !Y.Crange(0)
min_val = !Y.Crange(0)
max_val = !Y.Crange(1)
start = data_range(0)
finish = data_range(1)
data_angle = (reverse(findgen(n_elements (polardat)))) /$
              n_elements (polardat) * (finish-start)) + 90 - finish
data_angle = (data_angle / 360) * 2 * !Dpi
angle = (findgen (360) / (361) * 2.0 * !Dpi) + (!Dpi / 2)
angle = reverse(angle)

num_y_ticks = Find_num_of_ticks (polardat, yrange, yticks, ynozero,$
                                ystyle,ytickv)

y_step = fix(((max_val - min_val) / (num_y_ticks)))
y_vals = strtrim (string (fix (findgen (num_Y_ticks + 1)) * y_step), 2)
y_vals = strtrim (fix ((y_vals + min_val)), 2)

polar_vals = Extract_y_vals(y_vals, tickformat)

num_of_circles = num_y_ticks
inc = (max_val - min_val) / num_of_circles
scale_factor = float(60 / (inc * num_of_circles))
inc = inc * scale_factor
xstyle = xstyle and 4
line_gridstyle = gridstyle

circle = Draw_circles(inc, num_of_circles, angle, color, subtitle,$
                    title, gridstyle, xstyle, ygridstyle, ystyle)

Draw_lines , xminor, circle, inc, xticks, max_val, min_val,$
          num_of_circles, color, line_gridstyle, xgridstyle, xstyle
Draw_values , num_of_circles, inc, polar_vals, charsize, color, font,$
          xstyle

Draw_labels , degrees, radians

OPLOT , (polardat1 * scale_factor) > 0.0, data_angle, /polar,$
      color = color, linestyle = linestyle, nodata = nodata
END
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