
Subject: Re: How to rotate a 2-D plot and fit in the same view area ?

Posted by [gfu](#) on Fri, 27 Sep 1996 07:00:00 GMT

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In article <davidf-ya023080002609962158590001@news.fortnet.org>, davidf@fortnet.org (David Fanning) writes:

Hi,

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```
x=[0,1]
y=[0,2]
T3D, /RESET, ROT=[0,0,-90], TRANS=[-1.0, 0.0, 0.0]
PLOT, x, y, /T3D
```

```
T3D, /RESET, ROT=[0,0,-90], TRANS=[-0.9, 0.0, 0.0]
PLOT, x, y, /T3D, POSITION=[0.5,0.5,0.8,0.8]
```

```
T3D, /RESET, ROT=[0,0,-90], TRANS=[-1.2, 0.0, 0.0]
PLOT, x, y, /T3D, POSITION=[0.5,0.5,0.8,0.8]
```

```
T3D, /RESET, ROT=[0,0,-90], TRANS=[-1.3, 0.0, 0.0]
PLOT, x, y, /T3D, POSITION=[0.5,0.5,0.8,0.8]
```

Gary

|> Gary Fu (gfu@shark.gsfc.nasa.gov) is trying to trip us up with

|> a trick question when he writes:

|>

|> > Does any one know how to rotate a 2-D plot 90 degree (clockwise) so that

|> > the result still displays on the same viewing area defined by !p.position ?

|>

|> Uh, *any* plot you draw with the POSITION keyword set the same is going to go

|> into the same position into the window.

|>

|> > For example, how do I rotate the result of

|> > 'PLOT, [0,1], position=[0.5,0.5,0.9,0.9]' 90 degree and still displays in

|> > the [0.5,0.5,0.9,0.9] viewing area ?

|>

|> Well, this is a tricky example. Try this one (so you can see the rotation).

|>

```

|> a = FINDGEN(11)
|> b = a * 30
|>
|> ; Regular plot.'
|>
|> WINDOW, 0
|> PLOT, a, b, POSITION=[0.5,0.5,0.9,0.9]
|>
|> ; Plot rotated by 90 degrees.
|>
|> WINDOW, 1
|> PLOT, b, a, POSITION=[0.5,0.5,0.9,0.9]
|>
|> Same position in window. Axes rotated by 90 degrees (?!).
|>
|> Or (it just occurs to me!) to *really* rotate the first plot
|> by 90 degrees, do this:
|>
|> PLOT, b, a, POSITION=[0.5,0.5,0.9,0.9], YRANGE=[10,0]
|>
|> Alright, I give up! What's the answer? :-)
|>
|> David
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 Posted by [davidf](#) on Sat, 28 Sep 1996 07:00:00 GMT
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Whoa Gary...

I had just congratulated myself for solving a ticklish problem for you before breakfast (and on a Saturday, no less) and I thought

I would reward myself with a nice cup of coffee and a bagel.
However, no sooner had I put the first swipe of cream chesse
on the bagel then the horrible thought hit me...

Yikes! My solution won't work!

What I wrote in my example program was:

```
> ; Transform the position coordinates to account for NO rotation  
> ; in the display window  
>  
> temp = position(0)  
> position(0) = 1.0 - position(2)  
> position(2) = temp
```

What I *should* have written was:

```
    ; Transform the position coordinates to account for NO rotation  
    ; in the display window  
  
p = position  
p = [p(1), p(0), p(3), p(2)]  
offset = 1.0 - p(2)  
p(2) = offset + (p(2) - p(0))  
p(0) = offset  
position = p
```

My first solution worked for your example program (at least
it *looked* like it worked), but wouldn't work for the general
case. I have tested this solution more thoroughly and I believe
it works generally.

Now, I am in deep trouble with my wife for not getting the
laundry started, I've got to coach a soccer game, and

Let's just same I'm turning the d*** computer OFF!

Yours,

David

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OK, Gary, *now* I see what you want to do. You were almost there. You write:

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>  
> T3D, /RESET, ROT=[0,0,-90], TRANS=[-1.3, 0.0, 0.0]  
> PLOT, x, y, /T3D, POSITION=[0.5,0.5,0.8,0.8]  
>
```

The second PLOT command above will work. In fact it *does* work. (Although I had to add a NOCLIP keyword to see the plot. The result, I think, of round-off considerations on some machines.) But what you are missing is that the POSITION keyword applies to the position of the plot in the XY plane. So this plot goes exactly where you tell it to go.

The problem, of course, is that you didn't want it at the right position in the XY plane (which you just successfully rotated). You wanted in the same position in your display window (which you *didn't* rotate!).

To compensate for the fact that you rotated the XY plane but not the display window, you have to perform a transformation of the position coordinates as well. The example program below does that successfully.

But just one question. *WHY* do you want to do this!? :-)

PRO EXAMPLE

```
; Set up position in display window.
```

```
position = [0.5, 0.5, 0.8, 0.8]
```

```
; Normal plot.
```

```
WINDOW, 0, TITLE='NORMAL PLOT'
```

```
x=[0,1]
```

```
y=[0,2]
```

```
PLOT, x, y, POSITION=position
```

```
; Rotate the plot 90 degrees.
```

```
WINDOW, 1, TITLE='ROTATED PLOT'
```

```
T3D, /RESET, ROT=[0,0,-90], TRANS=[-1.0, 0.0, 0.0]
```

```
; Transform the position coordinates to account for NO rotation
```

```
; in the display window
```

```
temp = position(0)
```

```
position(0) = 1.0 - position(2)
```

```
position(2) = temp
```

```
; Draw the plot at same position in DISPLAY window.
```

```
PLOT, x, y, POSITION=position, /T3D, /NOCLIP
```

```
END
```

```
*****
```

Thanks for the challenging problem!

Yours,

David

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