

---

Subject: Re: cell\_fill for Contour (IDL 5)  
Posted by [Andy Loughe](#) on Thu, 14 Aug 1997 07:00:00 GMT  
[View Forum Message](#) <> [Reply to Message](#)

---

H C Pumphrey wrote:

>  
> I just came back from my vacation to find that  
> our system manager has just upgraded IDL from version 4 to version 5.0. I  
> find that everything works O.K. so far except that the /cell\_fill keyword  
> to the contour routine has disappeared from the documentation and,  
> although it does not cause an error, it merely does the same thing as the  
> /fill keyword. This means that open contours are not filled correctly; a  
> great problem on map projections.

<snip>

I feel your pain!

Get IDL 5.02 and hope, as published by RSI, that this problem has been fixed in their new release. I believe the CD should ship this week, and the upgrade to 5.02 may be available on their web site as well.

Good luck.

---

Andrew F. Loughe |  
afl@cdc.noaa.gov  
University of Colorado, CIRES Box 449 |  
http://cdc.noaa.gov/~afl  
Boulder, CO 80309-0449 | phn:(303)492-0707  
fax:(303)497-7013

-----  
"I do not feel obliged to believe that the same God who has endowed us with sense, reason, and intellect has intended us to forego their use."  
-Galileo

---

Subject: Re: cell\_fill for Contour (IDL 5)  
Posted by [davidf](#) on Thu, 14 Aug 1997 07:00:00 GMT  
[View Forum Message](#) <> [Reply to Message](#)

---

H C Pumphrey writes:

> I just came back from my vacation to find that  
> our system manager has just upgraded IDL from version 4 to version 5.0. I

- > find that everything works O.K. so far except that the /cell\_fill keyword
- > to the contour routine has disappeared from the documentation and,
- > although it does not cause an error, it merely does the same thing as the
- > /fill keyword. This means that open contours are not filled correctly; a
- > great problem on map projections.
- >
- > This may seem a small gripe, but I have written quite a lot of code which
- > relies on the /cell\_fill keyword to produce filled contour plots on map
- > projections. It was slower than /fill but very reliable. Is /cell\_fill
- > going to come back in future upgrades, I ask myself.

The answer is "yes", Cell\_Fill is back in IDL 5.0.2. This version is available now, although not shipping in quantity due to the UPS strike in the US. It should be available on RSI ftp site shortly.

Cheers,

David

-----  
David Fanning, Ph.D.  
Fanning Software Consulting  
Customizable IDL Programming Courses  
Phone: 970-221-0438 E-Mail: davidf@dfanning.com  
Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.dfanning.com>

---