
Subject: Mesh spacing

Posted by [Neil Winrow](#) on Fri, 12 Sep 1997 07:00:00 GMT

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Can anyone offer me any advice?

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Many Thanks

Neil.

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Posted by [davidf](#) on Fri, 12 Sep 1997 07:00:00 GMT

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Depending upon your application and needs, of course, the practical upper limit on most surface plots is an array of about 80 by 80. Arrays larger than that just produce too many lines to be easily visualized in a normal-sized window. I like a surface plot of about 60 by 60, so I find myself writing a lot of code that looks like this:

```
s = Size(array)
IF s[1] GT 60 OR s[2] GT 60 THEN $
  Surface, Congrid(array, 60, 60) ELSE Surface, array
```

Cheers,

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