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Subject: Re: Plotting one Title in a multiplot Window  
Posted by [davidf](#) on Fri, 12 Dec 1997 08:00:00 GMT  
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Roger Zimmermann writes:

> How can we plot one headline/title in a multiplot  
> window (36 boxes) w/ Direct Graphics ?

Normally when you set up a multiplot window:

```
!P.Multi = [0, 6, 6]
```

IDL calculates the size of the plots based on the entire window. What you want to do is save some room at the top for a title for the entire window. You do this with the !Y.OMargin (Y Outside Margin) system variable. Margins, you recall, are set in \*character\* units, so this code is not completely machine portable (you have to experiment a little), but I have had success with something like this:

```
!Y.OMargin = [2, 4]  
!P.Multi = [0, 6, 6]  
For j=0,35 DO Plotting(j)  
XYOutS, 0.5, 0.9, /Normal, 'Plot Title', Size=2, Align=0.5
```

Cheers,

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On Fri, 12 Dec 1997, Roger Zimmermann wrote:

> Hi all,  
> how can we plot one headline/title in a multiplot window (36 boxes) w/  
> Direct Graphics ?  
>

```
> should be something like:  
>  
> !P.MULTI = [0,1,1]  
> xyouts, 0.,0.98,headline,/NORMAL  
> !P.MULTI = [0,6,6]
```

Try:

```
!P.MULTI = [6*6,6,6] ; the !P.MULTI[0L] = 6*6 tells IDL that there  
; are still 6*6 plots to be done so the next plot will not  
; erase the window. If !P.MULTI[0L] = 0, IDL erases the  
; window before the first plot.
```

```
> for i = 0, 5 do begin  
>     for j = 0, 5 do begin  
>         plot, data[i,j,*], ...  
>     endfor  
> endfor  
>
```

Cheers,

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"Anywhere you choose,/ Anyway, you're gonna lose"- Mike Oldfield

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