

map3d User's Guide

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1 What's New?

In this section, we highlight the latest additions to *map3d* in the (vain?) hope that people will read at least this much of the manual and be able to quickly make use of the latest and greatest that the program offers.

1.1 Version 6.0: March, 2004

This is the first version of the “new” *map3d* with a GTK-based GUI. We are getting even closer to the functionality of the old GL based version. Even more important, there are also several new interactive features unique to the OpenGL+GTK version.

Some of the specific things that you should notice over previous versions include:

New look and feel: with the move from GLUT to gtk has come a whole new look and feel for *map3d*. Fonts are new and much nicer than before and all the menus and dialog boxes have a cleaner, more professional look than before.

New GUIs: There are several new GUIs that you can open through the menus. Perhaps the most prominent is the “Files Dialog”, through which you can interactively load and reload files and data windows. There is also a scaling dialog, from which you can change the scaling parameters with one click, and a saving dialog where you can save geometry and images (soon to have state-saving and movie-saving features).

Interactive Control: Now you can select one of many parameters to adjust by pressing the + or - key, including font sizes, contour thickness, etc.

Keyboard Transformations: Now you can use the keyboard to rotate, translate and scale, and even edit nodes' positions in your geometry.

Bug fixes: not that the previous version had any bugs, but we found a few(!) things to fix.

1.2 In the works (“vapourware”)

A small sampler of things that are in the works:

- Reading of Time Series container files.
- Proper reading of the container files in the *graphicsio* file system.
- Dynamic menus that indicate the current parameter selections (in progress).
- Saving and reading settings to keep your favorite settings around next time.
- Remote Control of the animations and user interventions for making videos.
- New display modes for the display of vectors.
- We are trying to fix the bugs listed on the bugs page (see Section 10) as quickly as we can.

2 Introduction

This document describes the function and usage of the program *map3d*, a scientific visualization application originally developed at the Nora Eccles Harrison Cardiovascular Research and Training (CVRTI) and now under continued development and maintenance at the Scientific Computing and Imaging Institute (SCI) at the University of Utah. The original purpose of the program was to interactively view scalar fields of electric potentials from measurements and simulations in cardiac electrophysiology. Its present utility is much broader but continues to focus on viewing three-dimensional distributions of scalar values associated with an underlying geometry consisting of node points joined into surface or volume meshes.

map3d has been the topic of some papers ¹⁻⁴ and a technical report ⁵ and we'd love it if you would reference at least one of them (perhaps ³ or ⁴ are the easiest ones to get copies of) as well as this manual when you publish results using it. There have been many many more papers that use *map3d* and the list keeps growing.³⁻³⁰

2.1 Acknowledgments

The history of *map3d* goes back to 1990 and the first few hundred lines of code were the product of a few hours work by Mike Matheson, an inspired visualization specialist, now with SGI in Salt Lake City. This was my introduction to GL and C and this program became my personal sand box to play in. Along the way, Phil Ershler made valuable contributions in figuring out the magic of Formslib for some user interface controls and developing with me *graphicsio*, the geometry and data file library that supports *map3d*. Ted Dustman has recently taken up maintenance and extensions of *graphicsio* and remains my main man when I need programming lessons.

This is one in a series of “new” versions of *map3d*, the series (labeled 5.x or above) that marks the move from GL to OpenGL library and thus to becoming truly portable. In fact, we call the old one *map3dGL* now to indicate its links to SGI's original GL library. We seem permanently stuck in the middle of this big conversion project, moving support to OpenGL and adding lots of power as we convert functionality. The most recent news, and the reason for the version 6.x, is the move to gtk as the GUI library with which we create all the dialog and display elements of the program. We hope this move will allow us to dramatically extend the set of dialog boxes *map3d* offers and version 6.0 contains the first set of examples.

There are some people who have been instrumental in the process and deserve special mention. Chris Moulding is a graphics programmer and general software whiz who surveyed my sand box architecture, pulled together the essential walls, created new ways to make rooms, and still left lots of the sand box around so we could continue to play. From version 5.2 onward, Bryan Worthen replaced Chris and really has found the spirit of *map3d* and become the main driving force behind the actual work of coding and fixing. He strayed off to some other project for a while, but never lost his love for *map3d*; now I'm really pleased that he has returned to pick up the torch again. Most recently, J.R. Blackham has joined the team while still an undergraduate in Computer Science at Utah.

The largest thanks must go to the users of *map3d*, who provided the real inspiration and identified the needs and opportunities of such a program. Among the most supportive and helpful are Bruno Taccardi, Bonnie Punske, and Bob Lux, all colleagues of mine at the CVRTI. Dana Brooks and his students from Northeastern University are also regular users who have provided many suggestions and great enthusiasm. Also invaluable in the constant improvement of the program are my post docs, Jeroen Stinstra, and graduate student Quan Ni, Rich Kuenzler, Bulent Yilmaz, Bruce Hopenfeld, Shibaji Shome, Lucas Lorenzo, Andrew Shafer, and Zoar Englemann. They give me new energy and remind me why I am a professor.

The first user and long-time collaborator and friend was Chris Johnson and this new version of *map3d* is possible because of the success he and I have had in creating the SCI Institute and specifically the NIH/NCRR Center for Geometric Modeling, Simulation, and Visualization in Bioelectric Field Problems (www.sci.utah.edu/ncrr).

We gratefully acknowledge the financial support that has come from the NIH, National Center for Research Resources (NCRR) the Nora Eccles Treadwell Foundation, and the University of Utah, which provides us with space and materials to create this sand box. The Nora Eccles Treadwell Foundation has also provided support for the development of *map3d* and the huge pile of data we have used it to analyze.

Rob MacLeod, April 7, 2004.

2.1.1 Libraries used by *map3d*

map3d incorporates the functionality of several external libraries. They are:

- GTK - The GIMP Toolkit - Copyright (C) 1995-1997 Peter Mattis, Spencer Kimball and Josh MacDonald
- GtkGLExt - GtkGLExt - OpenGL Extension to GTK+ Copyright (C) 2002-2004 Naofumi Yasufuku
- PNG - Copyright (c) 1998-2002 Glenn Randers-Pehrson
- Jpeglib - Copyright (C) 1991-1998, Thomas G. Lane.

We use GTK and GtkGLExt to interface with the window manager to give us windows with OpenGL capability, as well as giving us widgets we need for interactive control. We use PNG and JpegLib to be able to save .png and .jpg images of *map3d*.

All four of these libraries are covered by the GNU LGPL, which is included in the distribution of *map3d*.

3 Installation

3.1 System requirements

map3d is written in standard C/C++ and uses the OpenGL and GTK+ libraries, both choices made to ensure broad portability of the program. This first OpenGL+GTK version of *map3d* targets three platforms and we list the requirements and recommendations for each below. Additional platforms will follow—and follow even faster if you send us a machine to play on.

All platforms:

Requirements for all systems	
OpenGL libraries (GL and GLU)	version 1.1 + ¹
OpenGL/window interface library (GLX)	
GTK+ libraries and dependencies	version 2.0+

SGI: *map3d* runs on virtually any SGI that will support Irix version 6.5+. We have tested it on Indigo2, O2, Octane, and Origin workstations running various flavors of Irix 6.5. If you need a version for a different SGI configuration, please let us know (map3d@sci.utah.edu)

Requirements	
Operating System	Irix 6.5+
Architecture	mips3 or mips4 (maybe mips2)
Applications Binary Interface	n32 or 64
Recommendations	
Hardware	Texture mapping hardware 128 MB main memory

Linux (i386): *map3d* requires the OpenGL library, which is available as the mesa library at www.mesa3d.org for any Linux platform. For better performance, graphics cards from companies such as nVidia (www.nvidia.com) usually provide OpenGL libraries.

Requirements	
Operating System	kernel 2.2.x
Architecture	i386 (+ maybe PPC)
Applications Binary Interface	libc2.1
Recommendations	
Window system	XFree86 version 4.0 +
Hardware	3D graphics card (nVidia, 3dfx, ati) 128 MB main memory

Windows:

Requirements	
Operating System	W2K/NT4.0/9x
Architecture	i386
Applications Binary Interface	win32
Recommendations	
Hardware	3D graphics card (nVidia, 3dfx, ati) 128 MB main memory

3.2 General Installation

Unfortunately, as this is the first version of *map3d* with GTK+, it is not as easy as other versions where you could just download and run. We hope to be able to do that again in the future, but for now we will attempt to make it as easy as possible for you. Simplified instructions will be in a README file which comes with each package, and are also listed below:

To download the software, use this URL www.sci.utah.edu/software/map3d.html, and click on the “Download” button. You’ll need to sign into the SCI archive. For each of the installation instructions below, you can grab those file from this page.

To test the installation, use the test files that accompany this distribution. Each has some script files included that show how to call and execute *map3d*.

3.3 SGI Installation Instructions

The SGI installation is relatively straightforward. You’ll need to download *map3d*’s dependencies, then download *map3d* itself.

3.3.1 SGI Dependencies

There are two phases to this part. First we need to get GTK+ and its dependencies. The easiest way to do this is for SGI is to run a browser with root access and go to SGI’s freeware site at <http://freeware.sgi.com>. On that page near the bottom there should be a link to a prereq calculator. Click on that link, and in the Freeware Product box, select `fw_gtk2+` (make sure you don’t select `fw_gtk+`). Submit the query. You should see a list similar to this:

```
fw_atk [relnotes] [prereqs] [install]
fw_expats [relnotes] [prereqs] [install]
fw_freetype2 [relnotes] [prereqs] [install]
fw_gettext [relnotes] [prereqs] [install]
fw_glib2 [relnotes] [prereqs] [install]
fw_libjpeg [relnotes] [prereqs] [install]
fw_libpng [relnotes] [prereqs] [install]
fw_libz [relnotes] [prereqs] [install]
fw_pango [relnotes] [prereqs] [install]
fw_tiff [relnotes] [prereqs] [install]
```

To install them, click on the install link one by one (and follow the instructions in the dialog boxes).

IMPORTANT - when you install libz - it will mention something about a security library being removed. When you install libz, allow it to do this. On the subsequent libraries, it will mention that the security package conflicts with libz, on these packages, have it continue without installing the security package.

Install them in the order:

```
gettext
expat
freetype2
atk
glib2
pango
libjpeg
libtiff
libz
libpng
```

After you’ve done all of these, click on the alphabetical link, and click on the install button that corresponds to `libgtk2+-2.0.6`.

If for some reason, the prereq calculator isn't there or isn't working, go to the alphabetical index and install the above in the order specified.

The next part is to download `gtkglext`, the library that supports OpenGL for GTK widgets. If your GTK version is 2.0.6 (you can find out by looking at `gtkversion.h` which will be where you installed `gtk` (normally `/usr/freeware/include/gtk-2.0/gtk/gtkversion.h`), and look for `GTK_MAJOR_VERSION`, `GTK_MINOR_VERSION`, and `GTK_MICRO_VERSION`. There will be numbers on the same lines as each of these, and if you put them together it will be something like 2.0.6). If you are using this version download `gtkglext-sgi.tar.gz` from the *map3d* download page <http://www.sci.utah.edu/software/map3d.html> and follow these instructions:

```
cd <download directory>
gunzip gtkglext-sgi.tar.gz
tar xf gtkglext-sgi.tar
cp libgtkglext-x11-1.0.so.0 /usr/local/lib
cp libgdkglext-x11-1.0.so.0 /usr/local/lib
```

You can copy them to some directory other than `/usr/local/lib` if you wish.

If this doesn't work, you will need to download the `gtkglext` source and compile it yourself (don't worry—if your `gtk` is properly set up, this will be very easy). Download the sources from Source Forge <http://sourceforge.net/projects/gtkglext> and follow these instructions:

```
cd <download directory>
gunzip gtkglext-1.0.6.tar.gz
tar xf gtkglext-1.0.6.tar
cd gtkglext-1.0.6
configure
make
make install
```

If you don't want these to end up in `/usr/local/lib`, you need to

```
configure --prefix=<dir>
```

where `dir` is where you want to put the libraries (The libraries will be in `dir/lib`).

3.3.2 SGI Executable

Download the `map3d-6.0-irix.tar.gz` file from the *map3d* download page and unzip it to a directory of your choice. We will call that `RUN-DIR`. This is the directory from which you will run *map3d*.

To run *map3d*, you will need to make sure that all the libraries are in your `LD_LIBRARY_PATH` environment variable. For this we will assume that your `gtk` libraries are in `/usr/freeware/lib32` and your `gtkglext` libraries are in `/usr/local/lib`. Do the following:

```
tcsh users:
setenv LD_LIBRARY_PATH /usr/freeware/lib32:/usr/local/lib:$LD_LIBRARY_PATH
```

or bash users:

```
export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=/usr/freeware/lib32:/usr/local/lib:$LD_LIBRARY_PATH
```

you might want to put this line in your `.cshrc` or `.profile` file to avoid having to run this multiple times.

3.4 Linux Installation Instructions

The Linux installation is relatively straightforward. You'll need to download *map3d*'s dependencies, then download *map3d* itself.

3.4.1 Linux Dependencies

There are two phases to this part. First we need to get GTK+ and its dependencies. The easiest way to do this is from your distribution's installation CDs, or you can download the RPMs at www.rpmfind.net.

To get the dependencies from your distribution, run the Package Manager (Add/Remove Applications, configure-packages or something of that sort). Search for `gtk`, and install `gtk2` (if you can't find that directly, then installing the gnome environment will take care of it).

To get the dependencies from the internet, navigate your favorite browser to www.rpmfind.net, and search for `gtk-2.0`. Try to find one that matches your distribution (redhat, mandrake, etc.). We directly support development for `gtk2-2.2.1` and `gtk2-2.0.6`, so if you can find one of these that would be encouraged.

The next part is to download `gtkglext`, the library that supports OpenGL for GTK widgets. As of this release, this is not standard in most distributions. If your GTK version is 2.0.6 or 2.2.1 (you can find out by looking at `gtkversion.h` which will be where you installed `gtk` (normally `/usr/include/gtk-2.0/gtk/gtkversion.h`), and look for `GTK_MAJOR_VERSION`, `GTK_MINOR_VERSION`, and `GTK_MICRO_VERSION`. There will be numbers on the same lines as each of these, and if you put them together it will be something like 2.2.1). If you are using one of these versions download `gtkglext-linux-2.2.1.tar.gz` or `gtkglext-linux-2.0.6` from the *map3d* download page and follow these instructions:

```
cd <download directory>
gunzip gtkglext-linux-<version>.tar.gz
tar xf gtkglext-linux-<version>.tar
cp libgtkglext-x11-1.0.so.0 /usr/local/lib
cp libdgtkglext-x11-1.0.so.0 /usr/local/lib
```

You can copy them to some directory other than `/usr/local/lib` if you wish.

If this doesn't work, you will need to download the `gtkglext` source and compile it yourself (don't worry—if your `gtk` is properly set up, this will be very easy). Download the sources from Source Forge <http://sourceforge.net/projects/gtkglext> and follow these instructions:

```
cd <download directory>
gunzip gtkglext-1.0.6.tar.gz
tar xf gtkglext-1.0.6.tar
cd gtkglext-1.0.6
configure
make
make install
```

If you don't want these to end up in `/usr/local/lib`, you need to

```
configure --prefix=<dir>
```

where `dir` is where to put the libraries.

3.4.2 Linux Executable

Download the `map3d-6.0-linux.tar.gz` file from the *map3d*() download page and unzip it to a directory of your choice. We will call that `RUN-DIR`. This is the directory from which you will run *map3d*.

To run *map3d*, you will need to make sure that all the libraries are in your `LD_LIBRARY_PATH` environment variable. For this we will assume that your `gtk` libraries are in `/usr/lib` and your `gtkglext` libraries are in `/usr/local/lib`. Do the following: `tcsh` users:

```
setenv LD_LIBRARY_PATH /usr/local/lib:$LD_LIBRARY_PATH
```

or
`bash` users:

```
export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=/usr/local/lib:$LD_LIBRARY_PATH
```

you might want to put this line in your `.cshrc` or `.profile` file to avoid having to run this multiple times.

3.5 Windows Installation Instructions

The Windows installation is relatively straightforward. You'll need to download *map3d*'s dependencies, then download *map3d* itself.

3.5.1 Windows Dependencies

Download the `map3d-win-environment.zip` file from the *map3d* download page and unzip it into a location of your choice - we will call that `INSTALL-DIR`. It will create a directory called `INSTALL-DIR\map3d`.

Add `INSTALL-DIR\map3d\lib` to your path. To do this, open the Control Panel, select System, and click on the 'Advanced' tab on the top of the screen. Click on the Environment Variables button. You should see a variable called Path or PATH in the System Variables section. Click on it, and select Edit. Go to the end of the line, add a semi-colon (;) and type `INSTALL-DIR\map3d\lib`.

3.5.2 Windows Executable

There is an executable of *map3d* in the environment directory. We have also placed an executable here to facilitate future downloads, so you only have to download the environment once. If you wish, download the `map3d-6.0-windows.zip` file from the *map3d* download page and unzip it to a directory of your choice. We will call that `RUN-DIR`. This is the directory from which you will run *map3d*.

3.6 Documentation

This document should have reached you either as a pdf file or via the *map3d* web site. If you would like more copies or the latest version, go to the same web site and look for the links under Documentation:

```
www.sci.utah.edu/software/map3d.html
```

3.7 Bug reporting

We want to hear your response to using *map3d* and especially to learn about any bugs you may find. They may be features, rather than bugs, but if so, we will be happy to hear your impressions.

To submit a bug report please send email to `map3d@sci.utah.edu` or point your browser at `software.sci.utah.edu/bugzilla` (you will need to register your e-mail address) with the following information:

1. Type and version of the operating system and hardware you are using.
2. Version of *map3d*.
3. Description of the bug/feature you encountered.
4. Suggestions for fixing the bug or altering the program behavior.

3.8 How to reach us

We have established an email address for *map3d*, `map3d@sci.utah.edu`, and web pages within the website `www.sci.utah.edu/ncrr` dedicated to *map3d*. There is also a majordomo mailing list for *map3d* users called `map3d-users@sci.utah.edu`. To subscribe to this list, send email to `majordomo@sci.utah.edu` with the following in the message body

```
subscribe map3d-users
```

Please let us know how you use *map3d* and how we can make it better for your purposes. We can only develop this program with continued support and the best way to achieve this is to show that others use the program and find it helpful.

4 Usage

This version of *map3d* provides two ways to load files. The first is via the command line, which is described in this section. The second is via the files window (see Section 8.5.1)

This is a subset of *map3d*'s usage:

```
map3d  -b -nw -nv
        -f geomfilename
        -w
        -as xmin xmax ymin ymax
        -al xmin xmax ymin ymax
        -at xmin xmax ymin ymax
        -t time-signal-number
        -c mesh colour
        -p scalar data (potentials) filename
        -s num1 num2
        -i increment
        -ph maxpotval
        -pl minpotval
        -cs contour-spacing
        -ps scaling_value
        -ch channels-filename
        -sl surfnum
        -lm landmarks-filename
        -ll leadlinks-filename
        -lh
```

4.1 Typical usage examples

Here are some typical examples of using *map3d*:

- Display the contents of a geometry file:

```
map3d
map3d -f geomfilename.pts
map3d -f geomfilename.fac
map3d -f geomfilename.geom
```

The first instance will run *map3d* and allow you to input files interactively (see Section 8.5.1).

The first form with arguments reads only the node points (.pts file extension) while the second form also reads the connectivities from a .fac file and displays both mesh and nodes. The third form assumes that a binary geometry file (.geom extension) exists that contains both nodes and connectivities. We describe all these forms of geometry files in Section 6.1.3.

- Map scalar values from a single time instant stored in a “pot” file (described in Section 6.3.1):

```
map3d -f geomfilename.fac -p datafilename.pot
```

- When there is a mapping required between the potentials and the geometry, *e.g.*, when the order of values in the .pot and .pts file are not identical, we require a channels file (see Section 6.4 for details of the channels files),

```
map3d -f geomfilename.fac -p datafilename.pot -ch thefile.channels
```

- To display a *time series* of scalar values on the geometry, the basic format is the same

```
map3d -f geomfilename.fac -p datafilename.tsdf
```

with the time series stored in a datafile described in Section 6.3.2.

- Geometry can also be stored in a binary file in the CVRTI format (described in Section 6.1.3). The command format is essentially unchanged

```
map3d -f geomfilename.geom -p datafilename.tsdf
```

except that channel information is usually contained in the `.geom` file and thus seldom needs to be specified explicitly.

- A time series data file (`.tsdf`) contains a sequence of potentials, as described in Section 6.3.2. To select a subset of the time series for display, append the parameters `-s` and, optionally, `-i`, for example,

```
map3d -f geomfilename.fac -p datafilename.tsdf -s 1 100 -i 2
```

to select time instants 1 to 100 with an increment between instants of 2 (*i.e.*, 1, 3, 5, 7, ..., 99).

- Another way to describe a time series is through a series of `.pot` files that are numbered in sequence. For example to read a sequence of the files `mapdata001.pot`, `mapdata002.pot`, `mapdata003.pot`, ... `mapdata009.pot`

```
map3d -f geomfilename.fac -p mapdata -s 1 9
```

- Geometry files can contain more than one geometry so that we need to select a specific collection of nodes and connectivities for the display, by means of an “@” suffix to the geometry filename specification. Calling

```
map3d -f geomfilename.geom@2 -p datafilename.tsdf
```

will select geometry #2 from the file `geomfilename.geom`.

- Multiple instances of `-f` create multiple surfaces, which by default all appear in the same window. Adding the `-nw` option creates a separate window for each of the surfaces. So a typical call would look like

```
map3d -f geomfile1.fac -p thedata1 -f geomfile2.fac -p thedata2
```

However, you can include all the regular features for each of the surfaces so that things can get much more complex. For multi-surface displays, it is often better to use script files (see Section 5) below.

This version of *map3d* provides an interactive means of specifying geometry numbers from a `.geom` file or time instants from a time series data file (see Section 8.5.1).

4.2 Global Parameters

The following general parameters affect the entire display:

- b = open each individual window without borders placed within a master window that still has the usual borders. To move or resize individual windows, hold the Alt (meta) key and use the left and middle mouse buttons, respectively. Most of these can be anywhere on the command line. Also, if you use -b without any other arguments, *map3d* will allow you to select the files interactively and add them to this master window.
- v = show current version of the program. If this is the only argument, the program will exit.
- nw = for multiple surfaces (*i.e.*, more than one set of points and triangles), place each surface data in a new window. By default, *map3d* opens a single window for all surfaces.
- nv = to NOT check validity of geometry files. This can have a large impact on startup performance if *map3d* needs to load large geometries.
- c `default_mesh_colour` = colour index to use on all surfaces for which there is no specific colour specification. This option must be set before any surfaces are read, since the same option sets the colors for individual surfaces.
- dp `datafile_pathname` = directs the search for data files accessed to another directory. Using an alternate pathname, you can override the original directory specification for the files and get them from, say, an optical disk. This value can also be set with an environmental variable called `MAP3D_DATAPATH`, which you can set at any time before executing *map3d*. With this option, *map3d* looks in `datapath/filename`.

4.3 Geometry specifications

The basis for display in *map3d* is one or more geometry descriptions, which are usually in the form of surfaces, but can also be a set of line segments or tetrahedra; hence we can picture each set of nodes and connectivities as a “meta-surface”, which we generally refer to as a “surface”. For each such surface, *map3d* needs the set of node locations in three-dimensional space and usually some connectivity information that defines the (meta) surface. The geometries must exist in discrete form and be stored in files that *map3d* can read (see Section 6.1.3 for details of the file formats). There is no provision at present for analytically defined geometries.

To tell *map3d* where to look for this geometry information, each occurrence of -f in the command line indicates that beginning of a new surface. All parameters (except for global options) that follow before the next occurrence of -f refer to the current surface.

-f `geometry-file` = filename of the geometry file(s) containing points and connectivity information. Legal formats for the file specification are:

1. nodes (.pts) file will read and display only the nodes from the geometry; no display of the potentials is possible with just this information;
2. triangles/tetrahedra (.fac/.tetra) file will read **both** the connectivities and the nodes (provided both exist and share the same root filename);
3. binary geometry (.geom) file contains both nodes and connectivity information and may also contain channel mapping. At present, multi-surface geometry files must include a specific indication of the desired surface (`@surfnum`); otherwise, *map3d* reads all surfaces in the file.

Note: by specifying a root filename without any extension, *map3d* will look for all valid geometry files and try and construct the most comprehensive set. (It will do the same for data files as well.) Where there are multiple, potentially conflicting files with the same root, *e.g.*, `file.pts` and `file.geom`, *map3d* will select binary over text files. See Section 6.2 for more details on the rules for specifying and reading geometry files.

- w = place this and subsequent surfaces in a new window. This option will do nothing if the -nw option is set or if this is the first surface
- c colour = desired colour for the mesh of a particular surface, specified as a red, green, and blue value triplet ranging from 0 to 255. Some examples are:

255 0 0	red
0 255 0	green
0 0 255	blue
255 255 0	yellow
255 0 255	magenta
0 255 255	cyan
255 255 255	white

- as xmin xmax ymin ymax = set the absolute location in pixels of the surface window most recently defined. We assume an origin in the lower left corner of the screen and the typical full screen of an SGI workstation with a 19-inch monitor has 1280 by 1024 pixels. This option is useful for setting consistent layout of windows, especially when there are multiple surfaces, each in its own window.
- al xmin xmax ymin ymax = set the absolute location in pixels of the surface window most recently defined's colormap legend window. There will be one of these windows per surface only if a valid data file is associated with it.
- lh = Set the most recently defined surface's colormap legend window to have a horizontal instead of vertical layout.
- lm landmark_filename = read from the file *landmark_filename* a set of coronary arteries, or any other landmark information stored as a series of points, with a radius associated with each. See section 6.5 below for details.
- ll leadlinks_filename = file in *leadlinks* format containing a list of the node locations that correspond to a subset of the leads, *e.g.*, the lead locations on the torso surface that correspond to the standard ECG leads. The point of identifying such leads is to display them with their own markings, either as spheres or with the lead number (typically not the same as the node number). For more information, see the menu options in Section 8.2.3 that determine the form of the display markings and Section 6.4 for more information on leadlinks files.

4.4 Scalar Data parameters

To display scalar data values on the geometry, we must specify the source of the data and how to link them to the geometry. As with the geometry, all arguments specified between two occurrences of -f in the command line refer to the currently valid surface. Within pairs of -f options, there can be only a single instance of any of the following options:

- p potfilename = base filename for the potential and current data files. For pot files (see Section 6.3.1 for details of the format), if the -s option is used, *map3d* will append a number and the extensions .pot to this base filename (see -s option). For binary time series (.tsdf) files, the -s option specifies the start and end frame numbers to be read from the file. With no -s option, *map3d* searches for a single .pot file named *potfilename.pot* or for a time series file named *potfilename.tsdf* and will read in all time instants from the file. Note also that if you omit the extension, as with geometry files, it will try to match a .pot or .tsdf extension for you.
- s num1 num2 = range of frame numbers to read. If we are reading data from .pot or .grad files, *map3d* appends each of the numbers between num1 and num2 to the value of potfilename to make complete pot filenames.
eg., -p good-map -s 1 3 expands to:
good-map001.pot good-map002.pot good-map003.pot

If we are reading from a time series (.tsdf) data file, *map3d* will read frames `num1` to `num2` from the file.

- i increment** = difference between each frame number (initially). Regardless of how the data file(s) are read in, all frames are read in (or if the `-s` option is specified, all frames between the two points are read in). This enables the user to change the interval between frames while *map3d* is running.
- ph maxpotval** = maximum data value in “user” scaling mode. This sets one option for setting the range used in scaling the data value to colours and contours. You can select other ranges from the menu and can select this one again with `Scaling-¿Range-¿Command-line` specified range.
- pl minpotval** = minimum data value in “user” scaling mode.
- cs contour-spacing** = spacing between contours set by the user. This provides a menu option for selecting contours by setting a constant spacing rather than deriving the spacing from the desired number of contours and the range of data values. Note that the spacing will not always be a the command-line set value - *map3d* will divide the range by the specified value and set the number of contours as that number, and then determine the contour values by using that number of contours with the currently- selected scaling function. You can select other numbers of contours from the menu and can select this again with `Contours-¿Number of Contours-¿Command-line` spacing
- ps scaleval** = scaling value by which *map3d* multiplies each potential value as it reads from the file(s). This option tries to make use of any unit information available in a time series data file and alters the unit value available to *map3d* for display. The resulting scaling of the data is permanent for the current instance of *map3d*.
- ch channels-filename** = file in *channels* format containing an entry for each node in the geometry which points to the associated location in the data array. The value of this pointer is also the number that is written next to node locations when channel numbers are displayed. See section 6.4 for more information on the channels file format.
- lm landmarks-filename** = file in *landmarks* format containing a set of landmark segments, divided into categories. Each category has a word depicting the landmark type. Each lines within the categories contains three points (x,y,z) and an associated radius, which may have a different effect based on the type of landmark.
- sl surfnum** = surface number to which the scaling for this surface is to be slaved. The idea here is to have surfaces locked in the way they scale and display the data; in this way, one can compare colors across surfaces to determine relative values of the local scalar data.
- t timesignal-lead-number** = number of the node to be used for the display of a time signal in its own window. The number refers to either a node number in the geometry or, if a leadlinks file is present, the *lead* number. This command is optionally used in conjunction with the `-at` command, to specify a node and place its window accordingly. If the `-at` option is not present, *map3d* will choose a default window location. Multiple invocations of this option are possible for each surface, providing the option to open several windows per surface. At any time during the operation of the *map3d* the user can select a new node via the pick mode menu item and have the time signal from that node displayed (see Section 8.6 for details).
- at xmin xmax ymin ymax** = set the absolute location in pixels of a time signal window associated with the current surface. As with the `-as` option, the origin is in the lower left corner of the screen and the full screen resolution of an SGI screen with 19-inch monitor typically supports 1280 by 1024 pixels. This command is optionally used in conjunction with the `-t` command, to specify a node and place its window accordingly. If the `-t` option is not present, *map3d* will choose a default node (the first node in the geometry). Multiple invocations of this option are possible for each surface, providing the option to open several windows per surface.

5 Script Files

Using script files to control *map3d* has numerous advantages, for example:

1. complex layouts and specifications can be created and then held for later reuse,
2. execution of the program reduces to a single word that starts the script,
3. scripts are shell programs and can include logic and computation steps that automate the execution of the program; the user can even interact with the script and control one script to execute many different actions.

5.1 What are script files?

A script files are simple programs written in the language of the Unix shell. There are actually several languages, one for each type of shell, and the user is free to select. At the CVRTI we have decided to use the Bourne shell for script programming (and the Korn shell for interactive use) and so all scripts will assume the associate language conventions. The shell script language is much simpler to use and learn than a complete, general purpose language such as C or Fortran, but is very well suited to executing Unix commands; in fact, the script files consist mostly of lists of commands as you might enter them at the Unix prompt. Even more simply, a script file can consist of nothing more than the list of commands you would need to type to execute the same task from the system prompt.

5.2 How to make script files

Script files are simple text files and so are usually created with an editor such as emacs. You can, however, also generate a script file from a program, or even another script. But all script files can be read and edited by emacs and this is the way most are composed.

To learn about the full range of possibilities in script files requires some study of a book such as “Unix Shell Programming” by Kochan and Wood but the skills needed to make *map3d* script files are much more modest; any book on Unix will contain enough information for this. The instructions and examples below may be enough for many users.

Here are some rules and tips that apply to script files:

Use a new line for each command This is not a requirement but makes for simpler files that are easier to read and edit. If the command is longer than one line, then use a continuation character “
”, *e.g.*,backslash

```
map3d -f geomfilename.fac \  
      -p potfilename.data \  
      -cl channelsfilename
```

Make sure that there are no characters (even blank spaces) after the continuation character!!! This has to be the most frequent error when the script file fails to run or stops abruptly.

Make script files executable Script files can be executed by typing `. scriptfile` but the simplest thing is to make then executable files so that they work simply by typing their names. To do this, use the `chmod` command as follows:

```
chmod 755 script_filename
```

Use the .sh extension for scripts This convention makes it easy to recognize shell scripts as such, but also invokes some editor help when you edit the file in emacs. The mode will switch to shell (much like Fortran or C mode when editing programs with `.f` and `.c` extensions) and has some automatic tabbing and layout tools that can be helpful.

Variables in scripts The shell script is a language and like any computer language there are variables. To define a variable, simply use it and equate it to a value, *e.g.*,

```
varname=2
varname="some text"
varname=a_name
```

Do not leave any spaces around the “=” sign or the command will fail and set the variable to an empty string.

Once defined, the variables can be used elsewhere in the script as follows:

```
geomdir=/u/macleod/torso/geom
geomfile=datorso.fac
datafile=dipole.data
map3d -f ${geomdir}/${geomfile} -p $datafile
```

The curly braces are required when the variable name is concatenated with other text of variable names but is optional otherwise. To concatenate text and variables you simply write them together (*e.g.*, *geomdir/geomfile.pts* concatenates the two variables with a “/” and the extension “.pts”).

Environment variables in scripts All the environment variables are available and can be set in the script. For example:

```
mydir=${HOME}
```

sets the variable \$mydir equal to the user’s home directory. Likewise,

```
MAP3D_DATAPATH=/scratch/bt2feb93/
export MAP3D_DATAPATH
```

defines and “exports” the environment variable used by map3d to find .pak files.

5.3 Examples

Below are some sample scripts, from simple, to fairly complex:

Set the geometry, data, and window size and location

```
map3d -f ${HOME}/torso/geom/dal/daltorso.fac \
-as 100 500 300 700 \
-p ${HOME}/maprodxn/andy3/10feb95/data/cooling.data \
-s 1 1000
```

map3d-tank1.sh, included with this distribution

```
MAP3D=./map3d
GEOM=./geom/tank
DATA=./data/tank

$MAP3D -nw -f ${GEOM}/25feb97_sock.fac \
-p ${DATA}/cool1-atdr_new.data@1 -s 1 1000 \
-ch ${GEOM}/sock128.channels \
-f ${GEOM}/25feb97_sock_closed.geom \
-p ${DATA}/cool1-atdr_new.data@2 -s 1 1000 \
-ch ${GEOM}/sock128.channels
```

map3d-tank2.sh, included with this distribution

```

MAP3D=./map3d
GEOM=./geom/tank
DATA=./data/tank

$MAP3D -nw -f ${GEOM}/25feb97_sock.fac \
      -as 200 600 400 800 \
      -p ${DATA}/cool1-atdr_new.data@1 -s 1 476 \
      -at 200 600 200 420 -t 9\
      -ch ${GEOM}/sock128.channels \
      -f ${GEOM}/25feb97_sock_closed.geom \
      -as 590 990 400 800 \
      -p ${DATA}/cool1-atdr_new.data@2 -s 1 476 \
      -at 590 990 200 420 -t 126 \
      -ch ${GEOM}/sock128.channels

```

map3d-torso1.sh, included with this distribution

```

MAP3D=./map3d
GEOM=./geom/torso
DATA=./data/torso

$MAP3D -f ${GEOM}/daltorso.geom -p ${DATA}/dipole2.data -s 1 6

```

map3d-torso2.sh, included with this distribution

```

MAP3D=./map3d
GEOM=./geom/torso
DATA=./data/torso

$MAP3D -f ${GEOM}/daltorsoepi.geom@1 \
      -p ${DATA}/p2_3200_77_torso.data -s 1 200 \
      -f ${GEOM}/daltorsoepi.geom@2 \
      -p ${DATA}/p2_3200_77_epi.data -s 1 200

```

Set some environment variables, then layout the whole display

```

#!/bin/sh
# A script for the spmag 1996 article
#
#####
map3d=/usr/local/bin/map3d
map3d=${ROBHOME}/gl/map3d/map3d.sh
MAP3D_DATAPATH=/scratch/bt26mar91pack/
export MAP3D_DATAPATH
echo "MAP3D_DATAPATH = $MAP3D_DATAPATH"
basedir=/u/macLeod/maprodxn/plaque/26mar91
$map3d -b -nw \
      -f $basedir/geom/525sock.geom \
      -as 150 475 611 935 \
      -at 150 475 485 610 -t 237 \
      -p $basedir/data/pace-center.data@1 \
      -s 65 380 \

```

```
-f $basedir/geom/525sock.geom \  
-as 476 800 611 935 \  
-at 476 800 485 610 -t 237 \  
-p $basedir/data/pace-center.data@1 \  
-s 65 380 \  
-f $basedir/geom/525sock.geom \  
-as 150 475 176 500 \  
-at 150 475 50 175 -t 237 \  
-p $basedir/data/pace-center.data@1 \  
-s 65 380 \  
-f $basedir/geom/525sock.geom \  
-as 476 800 176 500 \  
-at 476 800 50 175 -t 237 \  
-p $basedir/data/pace-center.data@1 \  
-s 65 380
```

6 Input files

In this section, we describe the contents and formats of all the input files that *map3d* uses to get geometry, data, and much more.

6.1 Geometry input files

The input of geometric data may occur via a family of simple ASCII files used to describe geometry. These include the points or nodes of the geometry—stored in a file with the extension *.pts*—and the connectivities that described polygonal links between nodes—stored as line segments (*.seg* files), triangles (*.fac* files), and tetrahedra (*.tetra* files). To satisfy a need for more comprehensive and compact storage of geometry information, we have developed a binary file format and created the *graphicsio* library to manage these files. Below, we describe each of these files and how *map3d* uses them.

6.1.1 Points (*.pts*) file

The characteristics of a *.pts* file are as follows:

1. ASCII file, no special characters permitted;
2. Each line contains one triplet, ordered as x, y, and z values; one or more spaces between values, which are assumed to be real, floating point numbers;
3. Each line may also optionally contain a group number as a fourth element (although at present, *map3d* does not use this group information);
4. the order of points in the file is the implicit order of the nodes in the geometry; connectivities are based on this ordering.

6.1.2 Triangle (*.fac*) files

The characteristics of a *.fac* file are as follows:

1. ASCII file, no special characters permitted;
2. Each line contains a triplet of integer values pointing to the nodes of the geometry. **Node numbers begin at 1 not 0!**
3. The order of triangle vertices (nodes) is not strictly controlled, however, it is recommended that order reflect a common convention in graphics—a counterclockwise sequence of vertices when viewed from the **outside** of the triangle;
4. Each line may contain an optional fourth values which is the group number for the triangle (not used by *map3d*);
5. Order of triangles in the file is not meaningful except for internal bookkeeping; user will notice ordering only when a triangle is picked for interrogation.

6.1.3 Binary (*.geom*) geometry files

At the CVRTI we have developed a binary file system for efficient storage of complex geometry and associated attributes, a part of the *graphicsio* library. Extensive documentation of this format is available from Rob MacLeod (macleod@cvrti.utah.edu) (www.cvrti.utah.edu/~macleod/docs) and from the CVRTI web site under the heading *graphicsio library* at www.cvrti.utah.edu/computing.shtml.

Briefly, each *graphicsio* geometry file contains one or more sets of node locations and, optionally, connectivities for polygonal elements composed from those nodes. It is possible in *graphicsio* files to associate scalar, vector, and tensor values to nodes or elements, the most relevant example of which are channel pointers, stored as a set of scalar values associated with the nodes of the geometry. Each *graphicsio* geometry file can contain any number of sets of geometries, each with different nodes and connectivities.

map3d is capable of reading surface geometry from either single surfaces or from all surfaces contained in a multi-surface geometry file. Command line arguments controls the selection, as we describe in the next section.

6.2 Command line control of geometry files

In *map3d* the `-f` option determines in which files the geometry is to be found. Starting from the filename that follows `-f`, which may or may not include a file extension, the program looks for all possible candidate geometry files and queries the user for resolution of any ambiguities. Thus, with the arguments `map3d -f myfile`, *map3d3d* looks for `myfile.geom`, `myfile.pts`, `myfile.fac`, *etc.*, and tries to resolve things so that a valid geometry description is found. It is possible to direct this process by typing the geometry filename with an extension according to the following rules:

Extension	Effect
none	look for files with the extensions <code>.pts</code> , <code>.fac</code> , <code>.tetra</code> , and <code>.geom</code> and if an incompatible set are present (<i>e.g.</i> , both <code>.pts</code> and <code>.geom</code>), ask user which to take
<code>.pts</code>	take only the <code>.pts</code> file and ignore any connectivity or <code>.geom</code> file
<code>.fac</code>	take <code>.pts</code> and <code>.fac</code> and ignore any <code>.geom</code> files present.
<code>.geom</code>	take the <code>.geom</code> file and ignore any others present.

A further way to read geometry into *map3d* is to use the geometry filename that can be optionally contained within the time series file (see Section 6.3) that contains the potentials. This requires that the `.tsdf` file be created with the geometry filename included; adding this after the fact is difficult. Note that even if a geometry filename is found in the `.tsdf` file, it can be overridden by the geometry file name specified in the argument list of *map3d*.

6.3 Scalar data files

There are two ways of storing scalar values (typically electric potential in our applications) so that *map3d* can recognize and read them. One is a simple ASCII file and the other a binary format developed at the CVRTI.

6.3.1 `.pot` files

One way to package the scalar data values that are assigned to the points in the geometry is the `.pot` file. In the default condition, the scalar values in the `.pot` files are ordered in the same way as the node points in the geometry file with simple one-to-one assignment. With a channels file, it is possible to remap this assignment, as described in Section 6.4).

The rules for `.pot` files are:

1. Each line of the files contains one scalar data value, assumed to be a real number in single precision floating point format.
2. The order of the values within the file must either agree with that of the associated set of nodes or a channels file must be supplied to redirect the links between potential value and nodes.
3. Each `.pot` file *must* end with a blank line.
4. A single `.pot` file can contain only the data values associated with a single surface at a single instant in time. To represent a sequence of time steps (frames) requires a sequence of files, typically with filenames ending in a three-digit series, *e.g.*, `mapdata001.pot`, `mapdata002.pot`, `mapdata003.pot`, *...* Section 4.4 explains how to specify such a series of `.pot` files to *map3d* and Section 4.1 shows examples.
5. The extension `.pot` *must* be used.

6.3.2 CVRTI data (`.tsdf`) format files

The more efficient and flexible way to store scalar values is by means of the time-series data file format developed at the CVRTI, also as part of the *graphicsio* library. These files (`.tsdf` files) are capable of holding an entire sequence, or *time series* of scalar data in a single file, along with information about the contents, type, units, and temporal fiducials from the time series. For more details on

this file format see www.cvrtdi.utah.edu/~macleod/docs or the information under the *graphicsio library* at www.cvrtdi.utah.edu/computing.shtml.

Here are some concepts of the time series data file structure that are relevant to the different modes of operation described in this manual.

Links to geometry The links between the channels of data in the .tsdf file and the nodes of the surface[s] over which they are displayed is established via *channel* array information, which is available stored as associated scalars to the nodes in the geometry file (see Section 6.1) or in explicit channels files (see Section 6.4).

Frames By *frames* of data, we mean instants in the data stream representing single moments in time. For each frame, there is a set of values that for a spatial distribution or map and *map3d* needs to know what subset of frames are to be included in the display. To explicitly specify frame numbers, use the `-s` and `-i` options described in Section 4. As an example, the command line

```
map3d -w -f geomfile.geom@1 -p datafile.tsdf -s 10 130 -i 2
```

specifies that surface 1 from the geometry file `geomfile.geom` should be used to display frames 10 to 130, taking every second frame, from run 2 of the time series data file `datafile.tsdf`.

Time series container files: The *graphicsio* library also defines a container file format that can describe a set of time series data (.tsdf) files, and can contain parameters extracted from the associated time series. At present, *map3d* does not read such container files, but this will change soon...

6.4 Channels and leadlinks

6.4.1 Description of leadlinks and channels information

Channels and leadlinks files, and the arrays they contain, are identical in structure, but they have important **functional differences**. A run of *map3d* may require both, either, or neither of these, depending on the structure of the data files and geometries. The basic function of both channels and leadlinks information is to offer linkages between nodes in the geometry and the data that is to be associated with those nodes. The first file type, the channels file, links the nodes in the geometry to specific time signals in a data file; without channel mapping, the only possible assumption is that each node i in the geometry corresponds to the same time signal i in the data file. Any other linkage of geometry and data channel requires there to be channel information, typically either from a separate .channels file or stored with the binary .geom file as an associated scalar value for each node.

Leadlinks are purely for visualization and describe the connection between “leads”, a measurement concept, with “nodes”, a geometric location in space. In electrocardiography, for example, a lead is the algebraic difference between two measured potentials, one of which is the reference; “unipolar” leads have a reference composed of the sum of the limb electrode potentials. It is often useful to mark the locations of these leads on the geometry, which often contains many more nodes than there are leads. The most frequent use to date has been to mark the locations of the standard precordial ECG leads within the context of high resolution body surface mapping that uses from 32–192 electrodes. Another common application is to mark subsets of a geometry that correspond to measurement sites (values at the remaining nodes are typically the product of interpolation). In summary, leadlinks allow *map3d* to mark specific nodes that may have special meaning to the observer.

Figure 1 shows an example of lead and channels information and their effect on *map3d*. See the figure caption for details.

map3d handles this information in the following manner:

channels The *channels* information links nodes in the geometry to individual channels or time series in the data file. For example, the data values associated with node k in the geometry are located in the data location specified by the channel array value `channels(k)`. If `channels(k) < 0`, then there is no valid data for node k .

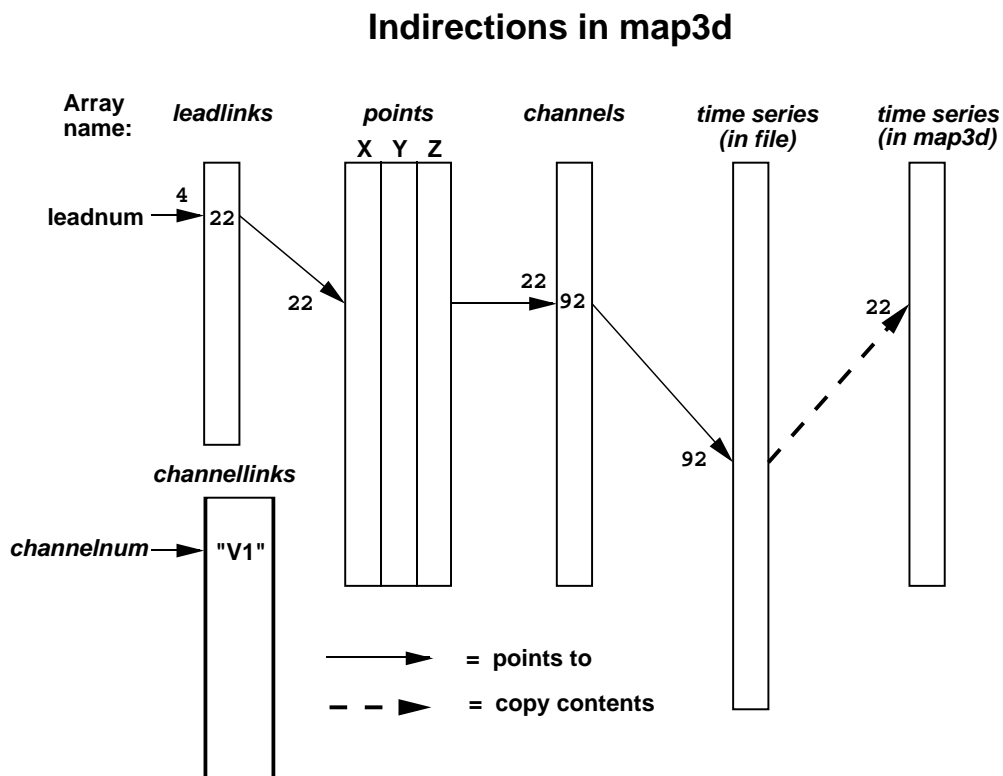


Figure 1: Example of the indirection possible in *map3d* through the use of *leadlinks*, *channels*, and *channellinks*. Lead number 4 points, via the *leadlinks* array to node number 22. This, in turn, points via the *channels* array to location 92 in the multiplexed data buffer, which causes the values at time signal 92 to be loaded into location 22 in the internal data array (and displayed by *map3d*). In a separate, *channellinks* array, shown below the *leadlinks* array, the entry in lead 4 says that that lead should actually be labeled “V₁”.

Note that *map3d* uses the **channels** arrays when loading scalar data into the internal storage arrays! Hence, the action of the channel mapping is not reversible. Should geometry nodes and data channels match one-to-one, there is no need for a *channels* array. It is also possible to define via a *channels* array the situation in which a single data channel belongs to two (or more) nodes in the geometry. The most frequent example of this occurs when three-dimensional geometries are “unwrapped” into surfaces in which what was a single edge is split and thus present at both ends of the surface.

leadlinks The *leadlinks* information is primarily used to identify and mark measurement lead specific within the geometry. The typical use is to select a subset of the nodes to identify the measurement sites—values at other sites might be interpolated or otherwise computed. Leadlinks also provide a means to renumber the labels on the nodes of the geometry in order to, for example, reproduce the numbering scheme used in an experimental setup.

In the *leadlinks* array each entry refers, by its location in the array, to a particular lead #; the value at that location in the array gives the number of the node in the geometry file to be associated with this lead. For example if lead 4 has a *leadlinks* entry of 22 ($\text{leadlinks}(4) = 22$), then *map3d* will display node 22 in the geometry as “4”, not “22” whenever node marking with *leads* is selected).

channellinks There is an extension of the basic scheme which includes a further level of redirection for giving the leads explicit text labels. Channel links are stored as a array of strings, one for each node of the geometry. The *channellinks* file is organized similarly to a *leadlinks* file, with each line containing information for one node. However, each line consists of two values, 1) the number of the associated channel and 2) the text string to be used as the label when *map3d* marks the nodes with channel numbers.

Hence we have the situation of a node number K in the geometry displaying time signals from channel L in the scalar data, but labeled with string “XXX”.

6.4.2 Source of leadlink and channel information

The sources of channels, leadlinks, and channellinks information are files, or parts of files, as outlined in the following paragraphs.

In .geom files Information for the *channels* array is stored as an associated scalar with the information in the standard .geom files. At present, there is no leadlinks array stored in the .geom file but this could change in the future.

In .leadlinks files A .leadlinks file is an ASCII file, the first record of which contains a line `nnn leads`, where `nnn` is the number of leads to be described in the file (and also one less than the total number of lines in the file). Each following record contains two integer values:

1. the first number is the number of the lead, as it should appear in any labeling of the associated node.
2. the second entry in each row is the value of the associated node number in the geometry.

For example, the file for a surface which reads:

```

32 Leads
 1  1
 2  42
 4  31
 7  65
.  .
.  .
.  .
32 11    <---- 32nd entry in the file, at line 33 of the file.
```

indicates that there are 32 leads to be linked (the geometry can, often does, contain more than 32 nodes), and that lead #1 is called lead “1” and is node 1 in the geometry file. Lead #2 is at node 42, lead #3 is called “4” and is found at node 31. Likewise, lead #4 is called “7”, and is located at node 65, and so on, up to lead #32, called “32”, at node 11.

Nodes listed in a *leadlinks* file that is passed to *map3d* with the `-11` option can be marked in a number of ways, described more fully in Table 10 in Section 8.2.3.

In .channels files A *channels* file is an ASCII file, the first record of which contain a line `nnn nodes`, where `nnn` is the number of nodes to be described in the file (and also one less than the total number of lines in the file). There is one line in the file for each node of the geometry to which we wish to associate scalar data. Each following record contains two integer values:

1. the first number is simply a running counter that indicates the node number with which to associated the second value in the row.
2. The second value in each row is the *channel* number for that node; a negative number signifies a node to which there is no data associated.

For example, the file for a surface which reads:

```

352 Nodes
1   123
2   632
.   .
.   .
22  -1
23  432
.   .
.   .
352 12

```

indicates that there are 352 leads to be linked, and that the data value for the first node is located at location 123 of the data file. For node 2, the data value is to be found at location 632, and so on. Node 22 does not have any scalar data associated with it.

6.4.3 Display of lead/channel information

To see how *map3d* can display the node and lead information, see Sections 7.7 and 8.

6.5 Landmark files

Landmark files contain information for visual cues or landmarks that *map3d* can draw over the surfaces in order to aid and orient the viewer. Initial use was primarily for coronary arteries, but the idea has expanded to incorporate a number of different orientation landmarks. The original coronary artery class of landmarks requires only that each can be described as a series of connected points, with a radius defined for each point. The coronary landmark is then displayed as a faceted “pipe” linearly connecting the points at the centre, with a radius, also linearly interpolated between points, determining the size of the pipe. The landmark file can contain numerous, individual segments of such pipe-work, each of which is drawn separately.

Other classes of landmarks are described below, but all of them can be described in a file with the following general format:

Line number	Contents	Comments
1	nsegs	number of landmark segments in the file
2	1 type nsegpts seglabel	segment number (1), type, number of points, label_number
3	X, Y, Z, radius	point location and radius of point 1
4	X, Y, Z, radius	point location and radius of point 2
.	.	.
.	.	.
nsegpts + 2	X, Y, Z, radius	point location and radius of last point in segment 1
.	2 type nsegpts seglabel	segment number (2), segment type, number of points, and label
.	X, Y, Z, radius	point location and radius of point 1
.	X, Y, Z, radius	point location and radius of point 2
.	.	.
.	.	.
.	X, Y, Z, radius	point location and radius of last point in segment 2
.	.	.
.	.	.
.	.	.
.	.	.

The landmark types defined to date are the following:

Name	Graph. object	Description
Artery	faceted pipe	a coronary artery/vein segment
Occlusion	coloured sphere	an experimental occlusion that could be open and closed
Closure	coloured sphere	a permanent occlusion that cannot be opened
Stimulus	coloured sphere	a stimulus site
Lead	coloured sphere	a particular electrode or lead location
Plane	rectangular parallelo- iped	a visible (but not functional) cutting plane through the geometry (Note: do not confuse this with the cutting planes that <i>map3d</i> provides for slicing through the geometry).
Rod	lines	rod inserted into needle track to digitize needle electrode locations.
PaceNeedle	sphere	location of a pacing needle entry point
Cath	faceted pipe	location of catheter in a vessel
Fiber	arrow	local fiber direction indicator
RecNeedle	sphere	location of recording needle entry point
Cannula	tube	coronary vessel cannulus

Specifying snare, closure, and stimulus requires a single point in the landmarks file, and the resulting sphere is coloured according to a set of values defined in the `drawsurfmarks.c` routine. At present, the values used are:

Occlusion	cyan
Closure	blue
Stimulus	yellow

and they are not (yet) adjustable by the user, except by using the “regular” trick of playing interactively with the colour map with the `credit` program (only works with older versions of *map3dGL*).

To specify a plane landmark requires three “points”

Point	X,Y,Z	Radius
1	First point of plane	Radius of the plane
2	Second point of plane	Thickness of the plane
3	Third point of plane	not used

The plane is drawn as a polygon with the number of sides controlled by a program variable.

Filename conventions: The standard extension of a landmark file is `.marks` and the filename is specified by the `-lm` parameter for each surface.

Control of landmark display: for details of how to control the display of landmarks, see Section 8.7.

7 Display features

This section describes the displays that *map3d* generates and what they mean; for specific information on how to control *map3d* and the displays, see Section 8.

7.1 Multiple surfaces

The idea of *map3d* has always been to display multiple sets of data on multiple surfaces; the limitation has been how much flexibility to include in a single invocation of the program. This version of *map3d*, as opposed to previous versions, can now handle multiple windows each with multiple surfaces. Surfaces can be moved between windows (see Section 8.5.1) When *map3d* displays multiple surfaces, each can exist in its own full window with its own border and window title bar, or, *map3d* can build a single main window with multiple sub-windows inside the main window. The user can reposition and resize each of these sub-windows using the Alt(Meta) key and the left and middle mouse buttons respectively. To create this layout of main window and frameless sub-windows, use the `-b` (borderless windows) option when launching *map3d* as described in Section 4.3.

7.2 Surface display

The basic forms of display of the surfaces are

- nodes or points from each surface
- connectivity mesh
- shaded surfaces based on either the geometry or the associated scalar values, with a number of different rendering options.
- landmarks superimposed on the surface display

7.3 Mesh Rendering

Often the purpose of *map3d* is to render a geometry consisting of nodes and connectivities and there are several basic modes of rendering this information.

Points: display just the nodes of the geometry as dots or marked with spheres.

Connectivities: display the connectivity information for the mesh as lines joining the nodes.

Elements: treat each polygon in the mesh as an element and render it in a way that shows its surface; for triangles, simple render each triangle surface; for tetrahedra there is no specific rendering in this version of *map3d*.

Elements and connectivities: *map3d* also supports a hybrid mode of rendering that shows outward facing triangles (using the convention of counterclockwise ordering) as elements but backwards facing triangles as connectivities.

map3d also has the ability to render all elements with a lighting model. This is especially useful for displaying the elements of the mesh. Additional controls to note are depth cueing, which can reveal the depth relationships between elements of the mesh.

7.4 Surface Data Display

The main use of *map3d* is to display scalar data associated with geometry and there are numerous options and controls to facilitate this. The two basic ways of conveying scalar value information are as shaded surfaces and contour lines and *map3d* supports each separately, as well as in combination. For surface shading, there are several basic rendering modes:

Flat: each triangle received a single color that depends on the mean value of the scalar value over that triangle.

Gouraud: the colour of each triangle values linearly with the value at each of the vertices

Banded: the regions between contour lines have a constant color, even if the contour lines are not visible.

Contours: this can be a separate rendering mode, or combined with any of the three modes above. Contours are lines that trace iso-values over the surface of the geometry.

7.4.1 Data scaling

There is a wide variety of options available for mapping scalar values to colour and contour levels. One can picture the process as based on four facets:

Extrema: the extrema of the data and the selected colour maps determine the basic parameters of how value maps to color. *map3d* maintains a detailed list of data extrema organized both by time signal, time instant and by surface. Thus it is possible to determine extrema based on just the most local of conditions—a particular frame and surface—or by more global conditions—the full range of frames or the full set of surfaces.

Scaling function: the mapping between value and color occurs according to some mathematical function, the simplest of which is linear. The scaling function uses the selected extrema and describes a complete mapping between value and color.

Mapping: by scale mapping, we mean how the translation from value to color treats positive and negative values. We may choose to map uniformly between the extrema or to apply different extrema or functions to the positive and negative values.

Color maps: the color displayed for a particular scalar value depends on the actual range of colors and their order in the color map.

map3d can adjust all four facets of the scaling to create a wide range of displays. We chose to limit some of these options, however, in an effort to create reproducible displays that reflect standard within the field. Of course, we chose our field, electrocardiography, as the basis, a fact for which we make no apologies and simply encourage others to make similar choices for their own field and implement *map3d* accordingly. Subsequent versions of *map3d* will support this flexibility.

Below are the specific choices that *map3d* offers to control data scaling and display

Scale range *map3d* supports several selections of range over which to look for extrema. In *local* range, only the data presently visible are scanned for extrema—this is the default. In the full *global* range, all the data in the entire dataset are used, even those not presently visible on the display. In between these cases, one can have global in time and local in space, *i.e.*, we scale each surface separately but use all time values for that surface. Or one can select local in time and global in space, in which *map3d* scans all surfaces for the data extrema, but for each time instant separately. The *user* scaling scope uses the current user-selected values for maximum and minimum for the scaling (see `-p1` and `-ph` input parameters in Section 4). The user can also select group scaling, where he assigns surfaces to groups and the range is based on the group min/max (either local in time or global). Groups are assigned by the menu. The user can also do slave scaling, where he assigns one surface (slave) to another's (master) range. The slave surfaces are currently only set through the command line, by placing a `-sl num` (where `num` is the surface number of the master) after declaring the slave surface. See Section 8.2.3 and Section `'refsec:scalarparams` for details.

Scale function The scale model describes the way in which scalar data are mapped to colours (or contours). The present choice is linear, but the next version of *map3d* will include: **linear** model, which simply maps the data to a range of colours in a completely linear fashion, *i.e.*, $colour = K\phi$; the **logarithmic** model, which highlights the lower level data values at the cost of poorer resolution at the higher levels *i.e.*, $colour = A \log(\phi) + B$; and the **exponential** model, which does the opposite,

compressing the smaller levels and expanding the higher ones to span a wider colour range, *i.e.*, $colour = Ae^{B\phi}$.

The two schemes with fixed numbers of contours, *log/7-levels* and *log/13-levels* both map the upper decade (ϕ_{max} to $\phi_{max}/10$.) of the potential data range into a fixed set of logarithmically spaced values. These values are composed of a mantissa from the standard E6 (1.0, 1.5, 2.2, 3.3, 4.7, 6.8, and 10.) and E12 (1.0, 1.2, 1.5, 1.8, 2.2, 2.7, 3.3, 3.9, 4.7, 5.6, 6.8, 8.2, and 10.) number series, and an exponent such that the largest mantissa falls into the range 1.0 to 10. Hence as long as the extrema is known, it is possible to read absolute values from the individual contour lines.

Scale Mapping There are several different ways to manage the way positive and negative data are treated in the scaling transformations in *map3d*. The current version supports the simplest, or *true* mapping, in which the data are used as they are with no consideration of positive or negative values—the color map spreads evenly across the range of the extrema. Subsequent versions will support the *symmetric* scale mapping, which sets the positive and negative extrema symmetrically—the larger (in the absolute value sense) determines both maximum and minimum data values. Also to appear in the net version is the *separate* scale mapping, in which the positive and negative extrema are treated completely separately—‘half’ the colours (and contours) are used for the positive values, half for the negative values. This is equivalent to producing maps with the same number of contours for both positive and negative values, even when the positive data have a different absolute maximum value than the negative data.

Colour Map There are four different colour maps presently implemented with every chance of more to come. The user can select which colour map to use. The choices currently implemented are:

Rainbow map Colours range in rainbow fashion from dark blue (for negative extrema) through greens (near zero) to red (positive extrema).

Red (+) to Green (-) Largest negative value is coloured bright green, dark grays are for the region near zero, and positive values appear red.

Black (+) to White(-) Grey shades from black for small values to white for large ones.

Note that for each color map, the direction of the mapping to value can be inverted, *e.g.*, in the default directions, blue indicates small or negative values and red indicates large or positive values. Inverted, this map uses red for small values and blue for large values.

Contour spacing the contour values are a function of the data and the user selection of scale range, model, and mapping (see following items). Fundamentally, the user selects between contour spacing based on the number of contours selected or based on fixed spacing between contours. The actual result depends, in turn, on the range of data values and the desired mapping between value and colour.

7.5 Landmarks

Landmarks provide a means to include visual icons and markers in the surface display in *map3d*. They are not meant to render realistically but simply to be cues to assist the user in identifying perspective or features of the surfaces. The list of support landmarks reflects our current usage for bioelectric field data from the heart but many of the landmark types are general purpose and hence useful in other contexts.

Section 6.5 describes the currently support landmark types and the files that contain them. Display of each landmark type depends on the type and user controlled options (see Section 8 for details on controlling the display).

7.6 Clipping Planes

Clipping planes allow you to remove from view certain parts of the display so that you can better see what is left. So everything on one side of the clipping plane is visible and everything on the other is not.

We have two clipping planes in *map3d* and their position and alignments are adjustable as well as their relation to each other—we can lock the clipping planes together so they work like a data slicer, always showing a slice of constant thickness.

The controls for clipping planes are adjustable from the menus (see Section 8.2.3) and also via keyboard controls (see Section 8.2.2). The basic controls turn the two clipping planes on and off, lock them together, and lock their position relative to the objects in the surface display. By unlocking the last control, you can select that part of the display you want to clip; the default clipping planes are along the z-axis of the object (up and down). To control position of the planes along their normal direction, just keep hitting the bracket keys ([and {]).

7.7 Node marking

Node markings are just additional information added to the display of the nodes. This may be as simple as drawing spheres at the nodes to make them more visible, or as elaborate as marking each node with its associated scalar data value. Section 8.2.3 describes these options in detail.

7.8 Time signal display

Display option for the time signal are very modest in this version of *map3d*. This will change. . .

Figure 2 shows the layout and labeling of the scalar window. Font sizes adjust with the window size and the type of units may be explicit if the time series data (*.tsdf*) files contain this information.

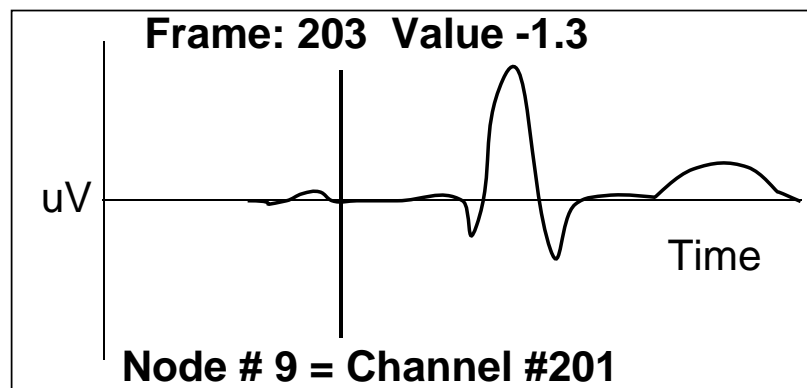


Figure 2: Time signal window layout. Vertical line indicates the frame currently displayed in the surface plot. Text annotations can vary with the data content and mode settings.

For directions on how to control the time signal window, see Section 8.3.

8 Control of *map3d*

This section describes all the means of controlling the function of *map3d*, at least all the ones we are willing to tell you about.

8.1 Control by surface

There is an ever growing number of parameters that the user can alter for displaying the surfaces in *map3d*. Some of the more important (and stable) include the following:

Visibility: of points, mesh, potentials, vectors, *etc*, can all be controlled individually by using the appropriate function key (see Section 8.2.2),

Lead markings: of the nodes in the geometry according to their node number, channel number, lead number or even value,

Scaling: scaling of value to colour and to contour line values,

Landmarks: appearance of the landmarks on the surface.

Since this level of control is provided for each surface, it is possible to have points showing on one surface, mesh on another, and rendered potential shading on a third, and so on.

8.1.1 Selecting which surface to control

To control the display of each surface, be that a surface in its own window or sharing a single window with other surfaces, a user must select that surface. Otherwise, display options will affect all the surfaces. There are two different multi-surface situations and each has its own method of selecting the surface:

Selecting surfaces for display controls	
Multi-surface layout	Selection method
One surface per window	Mouse location establishes currently active window.
Several surfaces in one window	Up/down arrows selects the surface. Hitting the up-arrow key after selecting the last surface selects all surface.

Note that in the surface window, the lock icons in the lower left corner indicate if parameter settings act on all surface (locks visible) or just single surfaces (locks invisible). Each lock controls a different aspect of *map3d*:

General Lock: is represented by the yellow (or first) lock icon. When this lock is active, menu items and keyboard commands pertain to all surfaces. To turn this lock off and on use the up and down arrow keys.

Transformation Lock: is represented by the red (or second) lock icon. When this lock is active, rotation and translation pertain to all surfaces. To turn this lock on and off, use the “t” key.

Frame Lock: is represented by the blue (or third) lock icon. When this lock is active, frame advancing, retreating, and resetting pertain to all surfaces. To turn this lock on and off, use the “f” key or select from the menu under *Frame Controls*.

Note: in the case where all surfaces are in the same window, unlocking the general lock by means of the up or down arrow keys selects the single surface to display. However, when the general lock is active and either of the other locks is disabled, the active surface mesh appears in a different color (blue by default). This identifies the selected surface and all modifications apply to this surface. To select the desired surface use the (/) keys; “(” selects the next surface and “)” selects the previous.

8.2 Mouse control, keyboard mapping, dials, and menus

Direct interactive control of *map3d* is by the keyboard and mouse. Many options are available via the menus controlled with the right mouse button, while others can be activated or toggled with single keystrokes. Variable (non-binary) adjustments usually occur through dialogues, or by repeating keystrokes. Below are tables of all the current control devices and their function. When the program launches, the user sets one or more windows which can be resized and moved at any time. When launching the program with the `-b` option, the resulting borderless sub-window(s) can still be moved and resized within a main window using the Alt-key together with the left and middle mouse buttons respectively.

8.2.1 Mouse control

The mouse can be used for different purposes depending on the current mode. This is especially important when picking is selected. To shift between modes requires simultaneous pressing of the various modifier keys, shift, control, alt. Figure 3 shows the various actions of the mouse buttons.

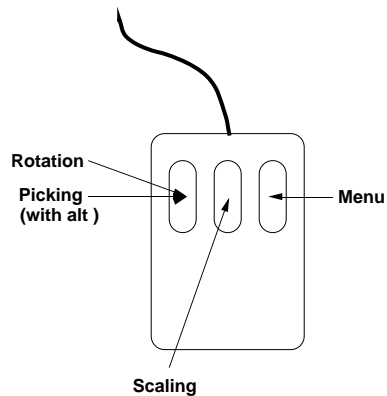


Figure 3: Mouse action for *map3d*. Picking makes intensive use of the mouse, as does moving objects in the surface window.

In surface windows: when the mouse is over a surface window, mouse buttons have the following actions:

Mouse Actions		
Control Key	Button	Action
None	Left	rotation objects
	Middle	scale objects (downwards increases size, upwards decreases size)
	Right	activate pull-down menu
Cntrl	Left	pick a node (and if time series data is present, select the channel to display in the time series window)
	Middle	no action
	Right	no action
Shift	Left	translate objects
	Middle	scale objects (rotates clipping planes if they are active - more info later)
	Right	no action

In borderless windows: when the mouse is over a surface within a borderless main window (`-b` option), the buttons have the following additional actions:

Mouse Actions		
Control Key	Button	Action
Alt	Left	Move a single surface subwindow
	Middle	Resize single surface subwindow (no indication of change until release of mouse button).
	Right	no action

Note: if *map3d* does not respond as described in these tables, it could be that your window manager is grabbing the mouse/key combinations for its own purpose or maps the keys a little differently. This will require some setting changes for the window manager. To make such changes under IRIX, examine the *.4Dwmrc* file; in Linux there is usually a control panel or utility application to manage all window system interactions.

8.2.2 Keyboard controls

Each key of the regular keyboard, the function keys, and the keypad may be mapped to some function of the *map3d*. Some keyboard keys serve as toggles to change between a mode being on or off, *e.g.*, “n” toggles the display of node markings. Others cycle through a set of choices, *e.g.*, “m” runs through a series of display options for the mesh. A list of the keyboard keys and their functions is shown in table 1 and table 2 describes the action for each of the function and arrow keys, and table 3 the actions of the keypad keys. The keys affect action only in the Geometry Window unless otherwise specified.

8.2.3 Menu layout

Access to the menus is by means of the right mouse button, as per the usual OpenGL convention. Below is a series of tables of the menu layout for *map3d*'s Geometry Window.

Following are the controls for the menus of the Time Signal Window, Legend Window, and Main Window, respectively.

8.3 Controlling the time signal window

There are two ways to create a time signal window:

1. Specify a `-at xmin xmin ymin ymax` on the command line (optionally with a `-t trace-lead-number` to specify the channel to use).
2. Using picking to select a lead to show in the time signal window, when the current pick mode is time signal new-window mode or time signal refresh mode. Note that subsequent time signal picking can be set to either a) update the last time signal window to the new data channel or b) add yet another time signal window.

The format of the scalar display is fairly simple, with a vertical bar moving along the time axis as the frame number is advanced. *map3d* derives the time axis label from the frame numbers of the signal relative to the time series data file, not relative to the subset of frame read in, *i.e.*, if frames (or pot file numbers) 10–20 are read in with an increment of 2, then frame number will begin at 10, and go through 12, 14, 16, 18 and end at 20 rather than beginning at 0 or 1 and going to 10 (the number of frames of data actually read).

8.3.1 Adjusting the frame marker

In order to facilitate rapid movement through large datasets, the user can control the frame number being displayed by interacting with the scalar window itself. If the user moves the cursor to the scalar window and pushes the left mouse button, the vertical time bar will jump to the nearest sample to the cursor location. The user can then hold the left button down and slide the time marker left and right and set a desired frame. Once the mouse button is released, *map3d* updates the map display. The left and right arrow keys also shift the frame marker back and forth. The only other command allowed when the cursor is within the scalar window is the “q”-key, to shut down just the scalar window, the “f” key, to toggle the frame lock, or the “p” key, to toggle the display mode. Any other attempt at input will not be accepted.

Regular keyboard	
a/A-key	Switch colour tables
c-key	Toggle contour draw
d-key	Toggle depth cueing
f-key	Toggle frame lock (also in Time signal window)
i-key	Toggle “direction” (invert) of color table
l-key	Toggle use of lighting
m/M-key	Step through mesh/node drawing options
n-key	Toggle display of node labels (some node marking must be selected)
p-key	Toggle information in time signal (pick) window (also in Time Signal Window)
q-key	Quit or destroy a sub-window - Legend Window and Time Signal Window only (Escape quits the whole program)
r-key	Reset to startup conditions
R-key	Reset shading model (to wireframe rendering)
s/S-key	Cycle through the various surface data draw options
t-key	Toggle transformation lock
x-key	Draw axis
Escape	Quit the program, if pressed in a Geometry Window, or Destroys a Time Signal Window if pressed there.
+/- key	Increases/Decreases size of of currently-selected object (see Section 8.4.3)
(/) key	Changes which susrface inside a window will be affected when the general lock is on but the transform or frame lock is off (see Section 8.1.1)
Clipping Controls	
<-key	Toggle front clipping plane
>-key	Toggle rear clipping plane
[/]-key	Move front clipping plane in (initially) +z/-z direction respectively
{/}-key	Move rear clipping plane in (initially) +z/-z direction respectively
,-key	Lock/Unlock clipping plane rotation with object rotation (when unlocked, shift-Middle-click rotates clipping planes)
.-key	Lock/Unlock clipping planes from each other. When active, clipping planes move together

Table 1: Keyboard controls for Geometry Window in *map*. When control contains both lower and upper cases of a letter, one cycles through a parameter in one direction and the other in the reverse direction. Note that when clipping is active, the screen information disappears.

Arrow Keys	
Left Arrow Key	Retreat by current frame step (Also in Time Signal Window)
Right Arrow Key	Advance by current frame step (Also in Time Signal Window)
Up Arrow key	Select next surface
Down Arrow Key	Select previous surface

Table 2: Control of *map3d* via the arrow keys

Keypad Keys			
Ctrl-Keypad Left-arrow	Y-axis rotate, CW (left)	Ctrl-Keypad Right-arraw	Y-axis rotate, CCW (right)
Ctrl-Keypad Up-arrow	X-axis rotate, CCW (down)	Ctrl-Keypad Down-arrow	X-axis rotate, CW (up)
Ctrl-Keypad Home	Z-axis rotate, CCW	Ctrl-Keypad PgUp	Z-axis rotate, CW
Ctrl-Keypad End	Zoom down	Ctrl-Keypad PgDn	Zoom up
Alt-Keypad Left-Arrow	-X-translation (left)	Alt-Keypad Right-Arrow	+X-translation (right)
Alt-Keypad Down-Arrow	-Y-translation (down)	Alt-Keypad Up-Arrow	+Y-translation (up)
Alt-Keypad Home	-Z-translation (away)	Alt-Keypad PgUp	+Z-translation (towards)
Plus/Minus key	Increase/Decrease size of currently-selected object. (see Section 8.4.3)		

Table 3: Keypad controls in *map3d* - have NUM-Lock off for these to work properly. Again, based on how you have your keys mapped, you might have to use the non-keypad keys, but something should work for you for each key.

Overview of Geometry Window menus	
Surface Data	display features of the scalar data displayed on the mesh
Scaling	links between data values and color
Mesh	display features of the mesh
Contours	number or spacing and display features of the contours
Picking	selecting times signals, mesh information, or other direct interactions with the display via the mouse
Node marking	marking of the nodes
Graphics	general display features such as lighting, clipping, and depth cueing
Landmarks	features for toggling and displaying landmarks
Frame Controls	modifying frame controls
Window Attributes	features of the windows such as color and text labels

Table 4: The overall menu structure of the Geometry Window

8.4 Color/Size Selection

It is frequently necessary to control color and size of elements of the *map3d* display and this, we have selection subwindows that appear as necessary and disappear upon selection. While the Color and Size Picker leave much to be desired aesthetically, they improve on past versions, and have slightly more functionality.

8.4.1 Color Picker



Figure 4: Color Picker.

Surface Display Menus		
Color	Rainbow Green to red White to Black Invert	use rainbow color map to render scalar values on the mesh use green to red color map use black and white color map invert the sense of any color map, <i>e.g.</i> , black becomes white and white becomes black
Render style	None Flat Gouraud Banded	Turn Shading off colour each mesh element in a constant color according to the mean value of scalar data over the vertices shade each polygon using linear interpolation draw the regions between contour lines as bands of constant color
Toggle surface display	toggle display of the scalar data on the mesh (without changing other settings)	

Table 5: Submenus to control the display of scalar data on the mesh.

The Color Picker shows a number of colors to select from. There are only a limited number of colors so that the color selection can be easily reproduced on subsequent runs. When you open up the Color Picker, the current (original) color will be in a small box on the bottom left, whereas the box next to it will show the color that was most recently selected. There is a new “Preview” button which will change the color and let you see what it would do, but will also allow you to push the “Cancel” button and return to the original color, shown in the bottom left.

8.4.2 Size Picker



Figure 5: Size Picker.

The Size Picker shows 10 sizes to select from, currently (to change later) represented by the size of boxes, where the width of the box represents the selectable size. When you open up the Size Picker, the current (original) size will be represented in a box on the bottom left, whereas the box next to it will show the size that was most recently selected. There is a new “Preview” button which will change the size and let you see what it would do, but will also allow you to push the “Cancel” button and return to the original size, shown in the bottom left.

8.4.3 Interactive Size Control

Rather than having to open the Size Picker over and over, *map3d* provides a few options that can be changed by a single keystroke. To do this, open the menu in the Geometry Window and select “Mesh- \downarrow Use +/- to select” and then select a feature you wish to dynamically adjust. Then press + or - to adjust the size. However, most of these only have 10 possible sizes.

Scaling Menus		
Scaling... Range	opens up the scaling dialog. (see Section 8.5.3)	
	Local	scale based on the local extrema for each surface and time instant
	Global over all frames in one surface	scale based on the extrema over the full times series
	Global over all surfaces in one frame	scale based on the extrema over each surface for the local time instant
	Global over all surfaces and frames	scale based on the extrema over all surfaces and all time instants
	Scaling over groups in one frame	scale based on the extrema over each surface in specified group for the local time instant
	Scaling over groups in all frames	scale based on the extrema over each surface in a specified group for all time instants
	Slave Scaling over one frame	scale based on the extrema over each surface's master surface (set with <code>-sl</code> in command line) for one time instant
	Slave Scaling over all frames	scale based on the extrema over each surface's master surface (set with <code>-sl</code> in command line) for all time instants
	Command-line specified range	scale based on the extrema set in <code>-ph/-p1</code> options
Function	Linear	linear mapping between value and color
	Logarithmic	color changes as $\log(\text{value})$
	Exponential	color changes as $\exp(\text{value})$
	Lab standard	color reflects lab standard
	Lab 13 standard	color reflects lab 13 standard
Mapping	True	use true extrema
	Symmetric about zero	take largest of absolute values of extrema to determine scaling
	Separate about zero	scale positive and negative portions of the scale independently
Grouping	Move to group #	Select a group to place the current surface (make sure the general (yellow) lock is off, or all surfaces will be placed in that group)

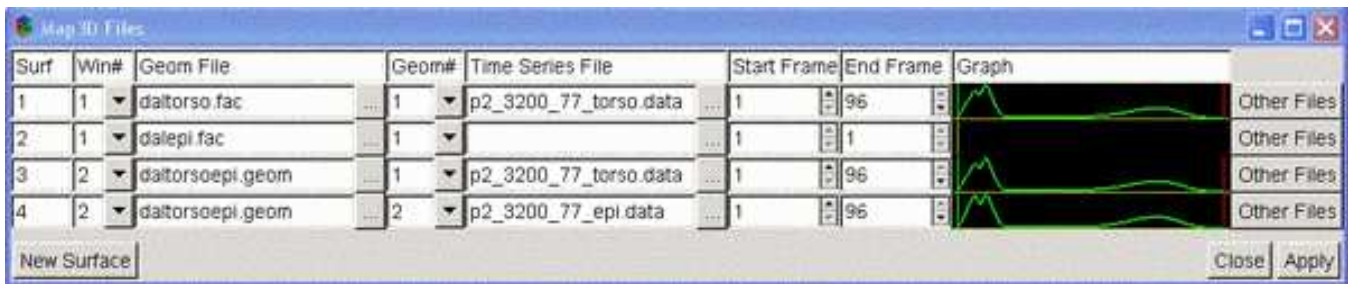
Table 6: Menu for scaling, the mapping from data value to color for rendering.

8.5 Interactive GUIs - File Selection, File Saving, and Scaling Options

This version of *map3d* adds new GUI support. The most noticeable new addition is the “*map3d* Files” window, allows you to interactively select filenames, data windows, etc. The others are for saving files, and for quick scaling changes.

8.5.1 Files Window

The “*map3d* Files” window can be accessed by the “Mesh-*i*Files...” menu entry. This window displays one row for each surface, where each row shows the surface number, the window the surface appears in, the geometry filename, the geometry number, the data filename, the start frame number, the end frame number, a graph of the RMS curve, and a button to show other files. Most of these columns can be modified at any time. If you click on the “New Surface” button, an empty row will pop up, allowing you

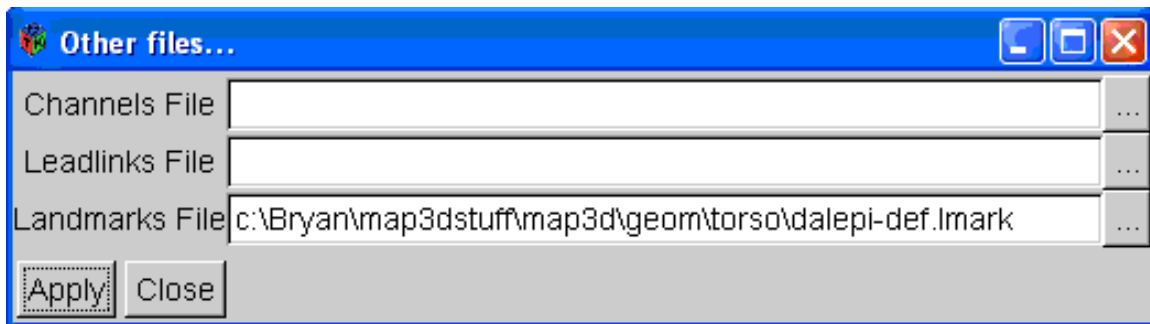
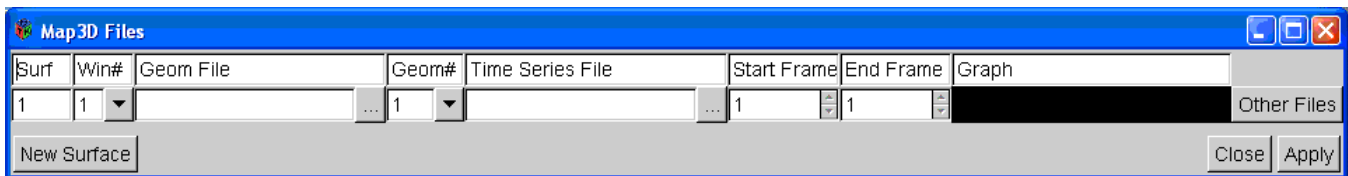
Figure 6: Files Dialog for *map3d*.

to add a surface from scratch.

None of the changes you make will take effect until you click on the “Apply” button. If you click on the “Close” button, the window will close, but if you open it again, it will look exactly as when you closed it.

Column description	
Surf	Number of the surface
Win#	Number of the window that contains this surface. You can change this number to move the surface to any open window, or to a new window (by selecting the last number from the drop-down menu).
Geom File	Name of the geometry file of this surface. You may change the geom file by clicking on the ... button and finding the file you want in the file picking window that will appear. You may reload the current geometry by selecting the “Mesh-¿Reload Geometry” menu entry.
Geom#	Number of surface within the geometry file (see Section 6.1.3). If there is more than one surface in the geometry file, you may select which one you want from the drop-down menu. If you change the geometry file, this menu will be updated.
Time Series File	Name of the data file of this surface. You may change the data file by clicking on the ... button and finding the file you want in the file picking window that will appear. You may reload the current geometry by selecting the “Mesh-¿Reload Data” menu entry.
Start Frame	Start reading data at this frame. You can also left-click in the graph section and drag to select the correct frame and this number will be updated.
End Frame	Finish reading data at this frame. You can also middle-click in the graph section and drag to select the correct frame and this number will be updated.
Graph	Graph of the root-mean-square deviation of each node for each time instance. You can left- or middle-click in this graph to select your data window, (and the number in start frame or end frame will update).
Other Files	This button will pop open another window in which you can view/modify the channels, leadlinks, or landmarks file to use with this surface.

Also note that this window allows you to run *map3d* without any arguments. If you do so, or if *map3d3d* determines that none of the geometry files were valid, the files window will pop up with an empty row waiting for input. If you try to close this window without any input, *map3d* will treat it as though you were exiting the program.

Figure 7: Other Files Dialog for *map3d* - Select Channels, Leadlinks, and Landmarks filesFigure 8: Empty Files Dialog. *map3d* will start up this way if you run without arguments.

8.5.2 Saving Files

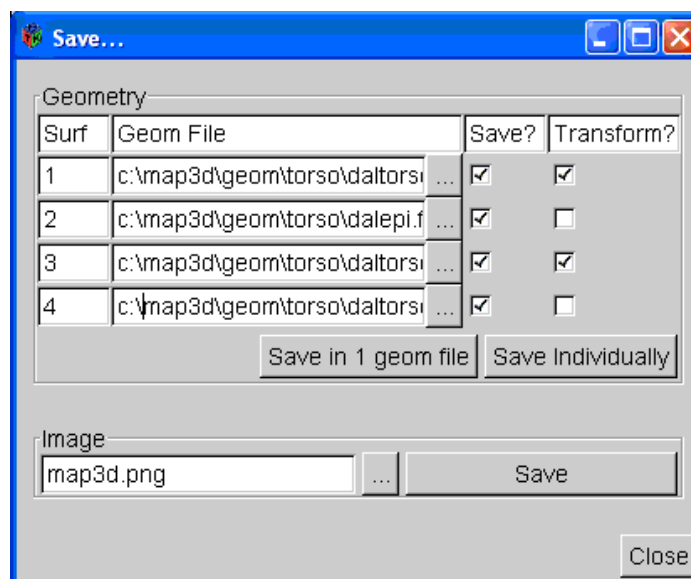


Figure 9: Saving Dialog.

The “Save...” Window will display if you select “Window Attributes->Save...” from the menu. The first section is to save geometry files, and the second is for images.

In the Geometry section it displays each surface number with its current geometry filename. Next to each there is a check box. If that check box is checked when you click one of the save buttons, then that surface will be one of the ones that is saved. If the second check box (labelled Transform?) is checked, then *map3d* will save the geometry will be saved with the current transformations (translations and rotations) applied.

Make sure to modify the filename or the current filename will be replaced (if you click on ... you can browse for a filename). If the filename ends in the extension *.fac*, it will save filename.fac and filename.pts. If the filename ends in *.geom*, it will save the file in the CVRTI binary file format (see Section 6.1.3). If Transforms is selected and there is a landmarks file, then a filename.lmark.

Clicking on the “Save in 1 geom file” button will save all of the geometry into 1 CVRTI binary file (see Section 6.1.3), choosing the filename of the first entry, which must have a .geom extension. Clicking “Save individually” will save each in its own filename. There is currently a known bug with saving .geom files under Windows and reading them back in again.

In the image section, select a filename (you can click on ... to browse for a filename) and click save. The filename may have the extension .ppm, .png, or .jpg to save in one of those formats. The image that will save is approximately the space that all open map3d windows cover. There is currently a known bug that on X-based systems, images will not save if your default color depth is not 24 bits.

8.5.3 Scaling Options

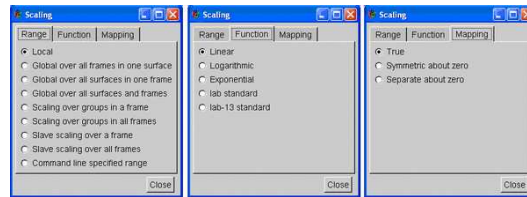


Figure 10: The three tabs of the Scaling Dialog.

This dialog is pretty much a duplicate of the Scaling Menu in the Geometry menu, but in dialog form for convenience sake. Click on the tab at the top of the scaling type you wish to change (Range, Function, or Mapping), and click on the check box of the feature you wish to select, and *map3d* will update. (see Section 8.2.3, scaling menu)

8.6 Picking mode

By “picking” we mean selecting some piece of the display in the current window using the mouse (with buttons). *map3d* currently supports selection of nodes or triangles with different actions, all of which either return some information, affect the display, or even alter the geometry of the display. In version 5.4, the choices are limited to node information, triangle information, time signal displays, triangulation, triangle deletion, and triangle flipping. Note that picking is successful and the desired results occur only when there is one (no more, no less) hit. To aid in getting the one hit, you may adjust the picking aperture or activate the clipping planes. In any picking mode where your geometry is modified, you might want to save your geometry (see Section 8.5.2). To control picking, use the top-level “Picking” menu. See Table 9 for the available options.

8.6.1 Time Signal (new window mode)

This mode opens up a new window and provides information about the node/channel. It tells the node number, channel number, the associated surface, the current frame number, and the value of the scalar data at the current time instance. In addition, it shows a graph of the scalar data associated with that node over time.

8.6.2 Time Signal (refresh window mode)

This mode provides the same information and graph as the new window mode, but displays the information in the most-recently created window (and creates one if one doesn’t exist).

8.6.3 Node Information

This mode outputs information of the selected node to the console: Surface number, frame number, node number, channel number, current data value, and the X,Y,Z coordinates of the point (as read by the geometry file).

8.6.4 Triangle Information

This mode outputs information of the selected triangle to the console: Surface number, triangle number, and the numbers and X,Y,Z coordinates of the 3 triangle points (as read by the geometry file).

8.6.5 Triangle Construction (Triangulating) and Deletion

In this mode, the left mouse is used to select the nodes that you wish connected into a triangle. Note that each time you select a valid point a change is made to the geometry. The first valid point you will see a new point on the mesh. The second will be similar except there will be a line connecting the two points, and the third time will add the completed triangle to the geometry

Pushing CTRL-middle mouse button selects a triangle and kills it, removing it from the list.

8.6.6 Triangle flipping

Often it is necessary to know the orientation of the triangles in the geometry. While this can be computed, there remains a 180-degree ambiguity as to which way the normal points. To resolve this, triangles nodes should be ordered in a counterclockwise direction as viewed from the “outside” of the surface to which the triangle belongs. This convention is used by OpenGL to decide which triangles to show in “hide backfacing triangles” mode. Unfortunately, it is not always possible when constructing geometric models to tell which way the triangle is to be viewed—this is still something humans do better than computers—and so we often need to edit a geometric model so that the triangles are ‘flipped’ the right way. Hence, the “Flip triangle” option in the “Picking” menu.

8.6.7 Edit node

If your surface isn’t perfect, you can edit the positions of the nodes. Select this pick mode in the Picking menu, and pick a node. A mark will appear on the node that you pick. Then use the keyboard transformation controls to translate a node (see Section 8.2.2, keypad controls). Note that keyboard rotation won’t work in this mode.

8.6.8 Edit landmark point

If your landmarks aren’t perfect, you can edit their positions. Select this pick mode in the Picking menu, and pick a landmark point. A mark will appear on the point that you pick. Then use the keyboard transformation controls to translate it (see Section 8.2.2, keypad controls). Note that keyboard rotation won’t work in this mode.

8.6.9 Delete node

In this mode, any node you pick and any triangle that connects with it will be removed from the geometry.

8.7 Control of landmark display

There are some lighting and colour controls for the display of landmarks that are useful to know about. Table 12 describes all the specific menus mentioned here.

Coronary/Catheter: these are controls to adjust color and visibility of the vessel type landmark, the ones we use for arteries and also for catheters. You can also switch from a rendered version of this landmark type to a wire mesh that is labeled according to segment numbers—a debugging tool when the vessels are not going where you expect.

Points: there are a range of point types in the landmark suite and this option allows you to control them turn them off and on, adjust color, etc.

Planes: for the plane landmark, you can set color, but also the transparency level of the plane. Default is transparent and this usually works best.

Rods: as with points, there are different rod type landmarks and with this menu you can control their visibility and color.

Toggle all landmarks: this is the master switch and toggling it turns all the landmarks from on to off or vice versa.

Mesh render menu	
Files... Render as	<p>Opens the Map3d Files Dialog (see Section 8.5.1)</p> <p>None Elements Connectivity Elements and connectivity Points Points and connectivity</p> <p>Do not render the mesh render filled surfaces for all elements render connectivity mesh rendered front facing triangles as elements and back facing as connectivity render points render both points and connectivity</p>
Use +/- to select	<p>Using +/- will change interactively the size of some feature.</p> <p>Large Font Size Medium Font Size Small Font Size Contour Size Line/Point Size Node Marks (all) Size Node Marks (extrema) Size Node Marks (time signal) Size Node Marks (leads) Size Change in translation Change in scaling Change in rotation</p> <p>Use this menu to select which feature to change the size of. (see Section 8.4.3) Change the largest font size (This is the title for the Colormap and Geometry windows) Change the medium font size (This is all text not small or large) Change the small font size (This is the size for the node marks, the axis labels in the Time Signal Window, and the Contour Labels in the ColorMap Window) Change the contour width Change the width of Lines/Points in the mesh Change the width of node marks Change how fast the keyboard translation happens Change how fast the keyboard scaling happens Change how fast the keyboard rotation happens</p>
Line/point size	set the size of the mesh's points and lines
Color	set the color of the mesh
Secondary Mesh Color	set color of active mesh when multiple surfaces are in same window
Show Legend Window	display mesh's legend window
Hide Legend Window	turn off display of mesh's legend window
Reload Geometry	reload file associated with this geometry
Reload Data	reload file associated with this geometry's surface data
Reload Both Geometry and Data	reload files associated with this geometry and its data

Table 7: Submenus for the Mesh Display menu

Contour Menus		
Number of Contours	<i>value</i> Command line spacing	selection of 5–50 contours use the value of contour spacing in the -cs option of the command line
Draw style	Dashed line for negative values Solid lines for all contours	draw positive contours in solid, nega- tive in broken lines draw all contours in solid lines
Line size	set the line thickness	
Toggle contours	toggle display of contours without changing settings	

Table 8: Menus for contour spacing/number.

Picking Menus	
Time Signal (new window mode)	create a new time signal window with each pick of a node
Time Signal (refresh window mode)	update the last time signal window with each pick of a node
Display node info mode	Picking will cause certain node information to be dumped to the console.
Display triangle info mode	Picking will cause information about the triangle you click in to be dumped to the console. It may be easier to pick triangles with clipping planes on.
Triangle construction/deletion	Normal picking (ctrl-clicking on nodes) will select points to form a triangle (triangulate). Clicking the first two nodes in this fashion will display the selected nodes, and then a line between the two. When the third is clicked, a new triangle is displayed and added to the geometry. CTRL-middle clicking selects a triangle (and not nodes) to be deleted. Again, it may be easier to pick triangles with clipping planes on.
Flip triangle mode	Will change the order of drawing the triangle's points. This will cause front-facing triangles to become back-facing and vice-versa.
Edit node mode	Will allow you to pick a point and translate it with the keyboard transform controls (see Section 8.2.2, keypad controls)
Edit landmark point mode	Will allow you to pick a landmark point and translate it with the keyboard transform controls (see Section 8.2.2, keypad controls)
Delete node mode	Will remove from the geometry any node that you pick and any triangles associated with it.
Size of picking aperture	select the size of the region around the mouse pointer that will register a "hit" when picking; larger values will make it easier to pick an object but also easier to hit multiple objects.
Show Time Signal Window info	Toggles display modes in time series window. When there is no info, the graph takes up more room in the window. This is equivalent to pressing 'p' in a geometry window or selecting the toggle display mode option of a time series window's menu.
Show all pick windows	Causes all Time Series (Pick) Windows associated with this geometry to become visible.
Hide all pick windows	Causes all Time Series (Pick) Windows associated with this geometry to become hidden.

Table 9: Pick mode menus. Picking is based on a mode (selectable in this menu), and is done with CTRL-left mouse button unless otherwise specified.

Node Marking Menus		
All	Sphere Node # Channel # Data value Color Size Clear all marks	Make all the nodes in this (or all) surface(s) mark each node with a sphere mark each node with the node number in the geometry mark each node with the associated data channel number mark each node with the associated data value set the color for marking all nodes set the size of all node markings remove all node marking settings
Extrema	Sphere Node # Channel # Data value Size Clear all marks	Make all the nodes that are the extrema mark each extrema with a sphere mark each extrema with the node number in the geometry mark each extrema with the associated data channel number mark each extrema with the associated data value set the size of all extrema markings remove all extrema marking settings
Time signal	Sphere Node # Channel # Data value Color Size Clear all marks	Make all the nodes that identify the location of time signals shown in the display mark each times signal location with a sphere mark each times signal location with the node number in the geometry mark each times signal location with the associated data channel number mark each times signal location with the associated data value set the color for marking all times signal locations set the size of all time signal markings remove all time signal marking settings
Lead links	Sphere Node # Channel # Data value Lead labels Color Size Clear all marks	Make all the nodes that identify the features from leadlinks file (see Section 6.4) shown in the display mark each lead location with a sphere mark each lead location with the node number in the geometry mark each lead location with the associated data channel number mark each lead location with the associated data value mark each lead with the label from the lead-links file. set the color for marking all lead locations set the size of all lead markings remove all lead marking settings

Table 10: Menus for marking nodes in the display. If all surfaces are currently displayed, any of these settings will affect all surfaces based on the rules in locks section (see Section 8.4.3). If we have a single or current) surface only, then change only that surface.

Graphics Menus		
Light source	From above None	select the source for the lighting model light shines from above the surface no lighting (turn lighting off)
Toggle clipping	Front plane Back plane Locking planes together Locking planes with object	toggles particular clipping plane options toggles front clipping plane toggles rear clipping plane makes planes translate together rotate surface with the planes or rotate surface through the planes
Toggle Depth cue		apply/disable depth cueing (fog)

Table 11: Graphics menus. These control general graphic rendering options.

Landmarks Menus		
Coronary/Catheter	Toggle Coronary Toggle Catheter Wireframe Coronary Coronary Color Catheter Color	toggle and select color for coronary/catheter toggle coronary artery toggle catheter display show coronary artery as wireframe and pt. numbers select coronary color select catheter color
Points	Toggle temporary occlusions Toggle permanent occlusions (stich) Toggle stimulation site Toggle recording site (lead) Occlus Color Stitch Color Stim Color Lead Color Toggle All Points	toggle and select color for point landmarks toggle temporary occlusion display toggle stitch display toggle stim display toggle lead display select occlus color select stitch color select stim color select lead color turn on/off point landmarks
Planes	Toggle Plane Toggle Plane Transparency Plane Color	toggle and select color for plane landmarks toggle plane display make plane transparent or opaque select plane color
Points	Toggle rod Toggle recording needle Toggle pace needle Toggle fiber (lead) Toggle cannula (lead) Rod Color Recneedle Color Paceneedle Color Fiber Color Cannula Color Toggle All Rods	toggle and select color for point landmarks toggle rod display toggle recneedle display toggle pace needle display toggle fiber display toggle cannula display select rod color select recneedle color select paceneedle color select fiber color select cannula color turn on/off rod-type landmarks
Toggle All Landmarks	turn all landmarks on/off	

Table 12: Landmark menus. These control landmark display options.

Frame Control Menus		
Lock Frames	toggle whether frames operations affect one surface or all surfaces	
Set Frame Interval	<i>value</i> Command Line Interval	select between 1 and 90 for frame animation step use the value of interval specified in the -i option of the command line
Reset Frames to 0 Align meshes to this frame num	positions the surface at the first position in time Positions all surfaces' frames to the current surface. What 'current surface' means will vary based on the status of the locks (see Section 8.1.1)	

Table 13: Controls for the attributes of the *map3d* windows.

Window Attributes Menus		
Save... Screen info	Opens Save Dialog (see Section 8.5.2) select the text written to the screen	
	Turn screen info on Turn screen info off show/hide lock icons	toggle lock display
Color	Show Legend Window Hide Legend Window Background Foreground	Turns on Colormap window Turns off Colormap window select window colors with the separate color selector select background color for the window select foreground color for the window
Size	<i>value</i>	select some size options set window to specified resolution
Axes	Axes Color Axes Placement Toggle Axes	select options for axes Select axes color select whether axes displayed per window or mesh turn on/off axes
Toggle Transformation Lock	toggle whether surfaces transform together or independently	

Table 14: Controls for the attributes of the *map3d* windows.

Time Signal Window Controls	
Axes Color	Select Axes Color
Graph Color	Color of data graph
Toggle Display Mode	Shows values and graph or show larger graph

Table 15: Controls for the attributes of the Time Signal Window.

Legend Window Controls		
Orientation	Vertical Horizontal	Layout of information in Legend Window
Number of Tick Marks	2,4,8 Match Contours	select number of ticks to appear on bar Either 2,4,8 ticks. These will not be colored as they do not directly correspond to contour values. Match number of contours in corresponding geometry

Table 16: Controls for the attributes of the Legend window.

Main Window Controls	
Set Background Color	Select bg Color
Set Foreground Color	Select color of Main Window Text
Show Info	Whether or not to show text info in the Main Window
Quit Map3D	Quit Map3D

Table 17: Controls for the Legend Window Menu

9 Output from *map3d*

To get output from *map3d*, you can output a screen shot of a Geometry window by selecting “Save...” from the Window Attributes submenu, selecting a filename in the image section, and clicking OK (see Section 8.5.2). You could, if you rather, use other means, such as SGI’s snapshot utility, Windows CTRL-PrintScreen (and pasting into a paint program), or taking a picture of the screen with a camera.

10 BUGS

Too many to even begin to contemplate. But if there are any you would like exterminated, please send email to map3d@sci.utah.edu (we accept all foreign currency in large denominations, bicycle parts, assorted outdoor gear, but no credit cards).

Here is a short list of those we know about and are currently addressing:

- There is some trouble in opening .geom files saved from the Windows version of *map3d*.
- On X-windows-based systems, we cannot save images from screens whose default color depth is not 24 bits.
- Also on X-windows-based systems, we cannot save images when *map3d* is remote-displayed on a Macintosh. This will be fixed ASAP.

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