

**NAME**

**mbm\_grd3dplot** – Create an executable shellscript which will generate a GMT 3D perspective plot of gridded data in a GMT grd file.

**VERSION**

Version 5.0

**SYNOPSIS**

**mbm\_grd3dplot** **-I**file **-A**[magnitude[/azimuth/elevation]] **-D**[flipcolor/flipshade] **-E**[view\_az/view\_el] **-F**exaggeration **-G**color\_mode **-H** **-K**intensity\_file **-N**drape\_file **-O**root **-P**pagesize **-S**[color/shade] **-U**orientation **-V** **-W**[color\_style[/palette[ncolors]] | cptfile ]

Additional Options:

**-B**tickinfo **-J**projection[/scale / width] **-L**title[:scale\_label] **-M**misc **-Q** **-R**w/e/s/n **-X** **-Y** **-Z**min/max ]

Miscellaneous Options:

**-M**Gdgmtdf/value **-M**Gfscale\_loc **-M**GLscalebar **-M**GQdpi **-M**GSscalefactor **-M**Gtx/y/size/angle/font/just/text **-M**GU[dx/dy/][label] **-M**IEresolution **-M**ITtype **-M**VMmesh\_pen **-M**VN[null[/r/g/b]] ]

**DESCRIPTION**

**mbm\_grd3dplot** is a macro to generate a shellscript of GMT commands which, when executed, will generate a 3D perspective Postscript plot of gridded data. Several styles of plots can be generated, including color fill views, color shaded relief views, mesh plot views, and text labels. Five different color schemes are included. The plot will be scaled to fit on the specified page size or, if the scale is user defined, the page size will be chosen in accordance with the plot size. The vertical exaggeration may be specified. The primary purpose of this macro is to allow the simple, semi-automated production of nice looking maps with a few command line arguments. For users seeking more control over the plot appearance, a number of additional optional arguments are provided. Truly ambitious users may edit the plot shellscript to take advantage of GMT capabilities not supported by this macro.

The output plot generation shellscript includes lines that execute a program to display the Postscript image on the screen. The program used to display the Postscript can be set using **mbdefaults** or by setting the environment variable **\$MB\_PS\_VIEWER** (the environment variable overrides the **mbdefaults** setting). If a Postscript viewer is not explicitly defined by either method, then the user's default program for viewing Postscript is invoked. Invoking the plot generation shellscript with a **-N** command line argument suppresses the screen display of the plot. The **-MIE** and **-MIP** arguments cause the plot generation shellscript to render the Postscript map onto an image in the specified format.

The plot scripts generated by this macro will work with GMT version 5.0 and later, and are not compatible with earlier versions of GMT.

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## SIMPLE DESCRIPTION OF BASIC OPTIONS

- A**     *magnitude[/azimuth/elevation]*  
 Sets the parameters which control the synthetic illumination of the gridded data (shaded relief). The value *magnitude* is an effective vertical exaggeration which modulates the intensity of the shading; typical values are in the 0.1 to 10 range. The value *azimuth* is the azimuth in degrees from north from which the data is illuminated. The value *elevation* is the elevation of the illumination in degrees from horizontal. Defaults: *magnitude* = 0.2; *azimuth* = 0.0; *elevation* = 30.0;
- D**     *[flipcolor/flipshade]*  
 Normally, the color or grayscale tables used for color maps run from cool colors (or dark grays) for low grid values to hot colors (or light grays) for high grid values. This option reverses the color table so that cool colors (dark grays) correspond to high values and hot colors (light grays) to low values. If **-D** is given alone, it applies to the color table used for color or gray fill plots, shaded or unshaded. If the plot is to be shaded, either by synthetic illumination (**-G2**) or using an intensity file (**-K** and **-G3** options), then setting *flipshade* = 1 will cause the shading convention to be reversed (e.g. high intensities overlaid as light shading). Using **-D0/1** will flip the shading convention but leave the default color convention.
- E**     *[view\_az/view\_el]*  
 Sets the azimuth and elevation in degrees of the viewpoint for 3D perspective views. An *view\_az* of 0 represents a view from the north, and *view\_az* = 90 represents a view from the east. An *view\_el* of 0 represents a horizontal view. Default: *view\_az* = 200.; *elevation* = 40.
- F**     *[exaggeration]*  
 Sets the vertical exaggeration of the perspective plot. By default the vertical exaggeration is chosen so that the plot fits nicely on the page. This option works only if the data are in geographic coordinates (longitude and latitude).
- G**     *color\_mode*  
 Turns on color fill plot and sets the style of the plot.  
       *color\_mode* = 1: 3D color/gray fill.  
       *color\_mode* = 2: 3D color/gray fill shaded by  
                       synthetic illumination.  
       *color\_mode* = 3: 3D color/gray fill shaded by  
                       an intensity file. The **-K**  
                       option must be used to specify  
                       the intensity file.  
       *color\_mode* = 4: 3D Color/gray fill of slope  
                       magnitude.  
       *color\_mode* = 5: 3D Color/gray fill shaded by  
                       slope magnitude.  
       *color\_mode* = 6: 3D mesh plot.  
       *color\_mode* = 7: 3D mesh plot with contours.
- H**     This "help" flag cause the program to print out a description of its operation and then exit immediately.
- I**     *grdfile*  
 Sets the name of the gridded data file to be plotted. Alternatively, *grdfile* may be a list of grid files (one filename on each line) to be plotted together.
- K**     *intensity\_file*  
 Sets the name of the gridded data file containing intensity values to be used for shading the map.
- N**     *drape\_file*  
 Sets the name of the gridded data file to be draped on the relief provided by the file specified with the **-I** option. If **-Ndrape\_file** is specified, then all color control options will apply to the data in *drape\_file*.

- O** *root*  
Sets the root used to construct the filename of the output shellscript (*root.cmd*) and names of files created when the shellscript is run. Normally the name of the input grid file or grid file list is used as the *root*.
- P** *pagesize*  
This option sets the size of the page the plot will be centered on. If the user does not set the plot scale, the plot will be sized as large as will fit on the designated page. If the user sets the plot scale such that the plot will not fit on the designated page, a larger page will be used. The supported page sizes include ANSI A, B, C, D, E, F, and E1, as well as most metric page sizes. See the COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF OPTIONS section below for a complete list of the supported page sizes. The default page size is A.
- S** [*color/shade*]  
This option enables effective histogram equalization of the color and/or shading of the gridded data. The equalization is not achieved by changing the data values, but rather by constructing the color or shading tables so that the boundaries in the tables encompass equal fractions of the data-points. This serves to focus color or shading contrasts in value ranges corresponding to the bulk of the data values. If **-S** is given alone or with *color* = 1, it enables equalization of the color table used for color or gray fill plots, shaded or unshaded. If the plot is to be shaded, either by synthetic illumination (**-G2**) or using an intensity file (**-K** and **-G3** options), then setting *shade* = 1 will cause the shading to be equalized. Using **-S0/1** will equalize the shading without equalizing the color table.
- U** *orientation*  
Normally the orientation of the plot (portrait or landscape) is selected automatically so as to maximize the plot scale. The **-U** option allows the user to set the plot orientation. If *orientation* = 1, a portrait plot will be produced; if *orientation* = 2, a landscape plot will be produced.
- V**  
Causes **mbm\_grd3dplot** to operate in "verbose" mode so that it outputs more information than usual.
- W** [*color\_style*[/*palette*[*ncolors*]] | *cptfile*  
This option controls the color scheme used for color fill plots.

If *color\_style* = 1 [default], then the color scheme used will be a continuous grading of colors. If *color\_style* = 2, the color scheme will be a set of discrete color intervals. The color palette used is set using *palette*. Five palettes are available:

- palette* = 1: Haxby colors [default]
- palette* = 2: high Intensity colors
- palette* = 3: low Intensity colors
- palette* = 4: grayscale
- palette* = 5: uniform grayscale

A complete description of the color palettes is given in the COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF OPTIONS section below.

The *ncolors* parameter sets the number of color values used in plotting, whether the colors are represented in a continuous color scale or a stepped, discrete color scale [default is 11].

If the option argument is the path to an existing **GMT** color palette (CPT) file, then that CPT file and its color scheme will be used for the plot

## COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF OPTIONS

- A** *magnitude*[/*azimuth*]  
Sets the parameters which control the synthetic illumination of the gridded data (shaded relief). The value *magnitude* is an effective vertical exaggeration which modulates the intensity of the shading; typical values are in the 0.1 to 0.5 range. The value *azimuth* is the azimuth from which the data is illuminated. Defaults: *magnitude* = 0.2; *azimuth* = 0.0;

- B** *tickinfo*  
Sets map boundary tickmark intervals. See the **psbasemap** manual page for details. By default the program chooses basemap annotations based on the map boundaries.
- D** *[flipcolor/flipshade]*  
Normally, the color or grayscale tables used for color maps run from cool colors (or dark grays) for low grid values to hot colors (or light grays) for high grid values. This option reverses the color table so that cool colors (dark grays) correspond to high values and hot colors (light grays) to low values. If **-D** is given alone, it applies to the color table used for color or gray fill plots, shaded or unshaded. If the plot is to be shaded, either by synthetic illumination (**-G2**) or using an intensity file (**-K** and **-G3** options), then setting *flipshade* = 1 will cause the shading convention to be reversed (e.g. high intensities overlaid as light shading). Using **-D0/1** will flip the shading convention but leave the default color convention.
- E** *[view\_az/view\_el]*  
Sets the azimuth and elevation in degrees of the viewpoint for 3D perspective views. *view\_az* of 0 represents a view from the north, and *view\_az* = 90 represents a view from the east. An *view\_el* of 0 represents a horizontal view. Default: *view\_az* = 200.; elevation = 40.
- G** *color\_mode*  
Turns on color fill plot and sets the style of the plot.  
  - color\_mode* = 1: 3D color/gray fill.
  - color\_mode* = 2: 3D color/gray fill shaded by synthetic illumination.
  - color\_mode* = 3: 3D color/gray fill shaded by an intensity file. The **-K** option must be used to specify the intensity file.
  - color\_mode* = 4: 3D Color/gray fill of slope magnitude.
  - color\_mode* = 5: 3D Color/gray fill shaded by slope magnitude.
  - color\_mode* = 6: 3D mesh plot.
  - color\_mode* = 7: 3D mesh plot with contours.
 See the **grdimage** manual page for information on shading with intensity files
- H** This "help" flag cause the program to print out a description of its operation and then exit immediately.
- I** *grdfile*  
Sets the name of the gridded data file to be plotted. The data must be in a form acceptable to **GMT** version 3 programs (see the **GMT** Cookbook & Technical Reference).
- J** *projection[/scale / /width]*  
Selects the map projection. By default the map projection is Mercator and the plot scale is chosen to fit on the selected page size (see **-P** option). The user may specify a different projection to be used, in which case the plot scale is still automatically chosen to fit the page. The user may also specify both the projection and the plot scale. If the projection specifying character is upper case, a plot width rather than a plot scale is used. The scale values are specified in inch/degree or in 1:xxxxx ratios. Plot widths are specified in inches. If the user specifies a plot scale such that the plot will not fit on the default A size page, a appropriately larger page size will be chosen.

#### CYLINDRICAL PROJECTIONS:

- Jc***lon0/lat0/scale* (Cassini)
- Jm***scale* (Mercator)
- Jo***a**lon0/lat0/azimuth/scale* (Oblique Mercator – point and azimuth)
- Jb***lon0/lat0/lon1/lat1/scale* (Oblique Mercator – two points)

- Joclon0/lat0/lonp/latp/scale** (Oblique Mercator – point and pole)
- Jqlon0/scale** (Equidistant Cylindrical Projection (Plate Carree))
- Jtlon0/scale** (TM – Transverse Mercator)
- Juzone/scale** (UTM – Universal Transverse Mercator)
- Jylon0/lats/scale** (Basic Cylindrical Projection)

#### AZIMUTHAL PROJECTIONS:

- Jalon0/lat0/scale** (Lambert).
- Jelon0/lat0/scale** (Equidistant).
- Jglon0/lat0/scale** (Orthographic).
- Jslon0/lat0/scale** (General Stereographic)

#### CONIC PROJECTIONS:

- Jblon0/lat0/lat1/lat2/scale** (Albers)
- Jllon0/lat0/lat1/lat2/scale** (Lambert)

#### MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTIONS:

- Jhlon0/scale** (Hammer)
- Jilon0/scale** (Sinusoidal)
- Jklon0/scale** (Eckert VI)
- Jnlon0/scale** (Robinson)
- Jrlnon0/scale** (Winkel Tripel)
- Jwlon0/scale** (Mollweide)

#### NON-GEOGRAPHICAL PROJECTIONS:

- Jpscale** (Linear projection for polar (theta,r) coordinates)
  - Jxx-scale**[**lppow**]/[**y-scale**[**lppow**]] (Linear, log, and power scaling)
- More details can be found in the **psbasemap** manpages.

- K** *intensity\_file*  
Sets the name of the gridded data file containing intensity values to be used for shading the map.
- L** *title:scalelabel*  
Sets the title and the label for the colorscale (if used) of the plot. Note that a colon (:) rather than a slash (/) is used to separate the labels. Colons cannot be used in the labels themselves. If this option is not used, then a default title and colorscale label are provided. If the title is supplied alone, a default colorscale label will be provided. To force no title use **–L** " "; to force no title or colorscale label use **–L** " : ".
- M** A series of "miscellaneous" options are provided which are given as **–M** followed by a two character identifier, followed by any other parameters associated with that option. The **–M** options may be strung together separated by colons, e.g. **–MGQ100:GU**", which is equivalent to **–MGQ –MGU**".
- N** *drape\_file*  
Sets the name of the gridded data file to be draped on the relief provided by the file specified with the **–I** option. If **–Ndrape\_file** is specified, then all color control options will apply to the data in *\fdrape\_file*.
- MGD** *gmtdef/value*  
Allows the user to set the **GMT** default values used as the plot is constructed. This command may be given repeatedly to set as many **GMT** defaults as required. For example, to set the basemap annotation font to Courier, use **–MGDANOT\_FONT/Courier**".

**-MGF** *scale\_loc*

Sets the location of the color scale. The possible values of *scale\_loc* are:

*scale\_loc* = b: bottom of plot  
*scale\_loc* = t: top of plot  
*scale\_loc* = l: left of plot  
*scale\_loc* = r: right of plot

[Default *scale\_loc* = b]

**-MGL** *scalebar*

Draws a simple map scale specified by the arguments in *scalebar*. The syntax used for the *scalebar* command by the **GMT** module **psbasemap** has changed over time; use the syntax appropriate for the **GMT** version you have installed. As of March 2017, the current **GMT** version is 5.3.2, and the *scalebar* arguments are described in the **psbasemap** manual page as:

[g|j|J|n|x]refpoint+c[slon/]slat+wlength[e|f|k|M|n|u]  
 [+aalign][+f][+jjustify][+l[label]][+odx/dy][+u]

Draws a simple map scale centered on the reference point specified using one of four coordinate systems: (1) Use -Lg for map (user) coordinates, (2) use -Lj or -LJ for setting refpoint via a 2-char justification code that refers to the (invisible) map domain rectangle, (3) use -Ln for normalized (0-1) coordinates, or (4) use -Lx for plot coordinates (inches, cm, etc.). Scale is calculated for latitude slat (optionally supply longitude slon for oblique projections [Default is central meridian]), length is in km, or append unit from e|f|k|M|n|u. Change the label alignment with +aalign (choose among l(left), r(right), t(op), and b(ottom)). Append +f to get a "fancy" scale [Default is plain]. By default, the anchor point on the map scale is assumed to be the center of the scale (MC), but this can be changed by appending +j followed by a 2-char justification code justify (see ptext for list and explanation of codes). Append +l to select the default label, which equals the distance unit (meter, foot, km, mile, nautical mile, US survey foot) and is justified on top of the scale [t]. Change this by giving your own label (append +label). Add +o to offset the map scale by dx/dy away from the refpoint in the direction implied by justify (or the direction implied by -Dj or -DJ). Select +u to append the unit to all distance annotations along the scale (for the plain scale, +u will instead select the unit to be appended to the distance length). Note: Use FONT\_LABEL to change the label font and FONT\_ANNOT\_PRIMARY to change the annotation font. The height of the map scale is controlled by MAP\_SCALE\_HEIGHT, and the pen thickness is set by MAP\_TICK\_PEN\_PRIMARY.

**-MGQ** *dpi*

Sets the resolution in dots per inch of the raster image used for color fill maps. Larger values of *dpi* produce larger Postscript plot files. [Default is 100].

**-MGS** *scalefactor*

The gridded data is multiplied by *scalefactor*. This option is most often used flip the sign of the data (*scalefactor* = -1). [Default no scaling]

**-MGT** *x/y/size/angle/font/just/text*

Causes a text label to plotted on the map. *size* is te xt size in points, *angle* is measured in degrees counter-clockwise from horizontal, *fontno* sets the font type, *justify* sets the alignment. If *fontno* starts with a leading hyphen, then the remainder of *fontno* is taken to be a textstring with the desired fontname. See the **gmtdefaults** man page for names and numbers of available fonts (or run **psfont -L**). The alignment number refers to the part of the textstring that will be mapped onto the (x,y) point: 1 = Lower Left corner, 2 = Lower Center, 3 = Lower Right, 5 = Mid Left, 6 = Mid Center, 7 = Mid Right, 9 = Upper Left, 10 = Upper Center, 11 = Upper Right. This option may be given as many times as needed.

**-MGU** [/dx/dy][label]

**Draw Unix System time stamp on plot.** User may specify where the lower left corner of the stamp should fall on the page relative to lower left corner of plot in inch [Default is (-0.75,-0.75)]. Optionally, append a label, or c (which will plot the command string.)

- MIE** *resolution*  
This option turns on rendering the Postscript map onto an output raster image and sets the image resolution to be *resolution* dots per inch.
- MIT** *type*  
This option turns on rendering the Postscript map onto an output raster image and sets the image type to be BMP (**-MITb**), EPS (**-MITe**), EPS with PageSize command (**-MITE**), PDF (**-MITf**), multi-page PDF (**-MITF**), JPEG (**-MITj**), PNG (**-MITg**), transparent PNG (**-MITG**), PPM (**-MITm**), SVG (**-MITs**, or TIFF (**-MITt**). The default image format is JPEG.
- MVM**  
*mesh\_pen*  
Set pen attributes for mesh plot. The mesh plot must be specified with the **-G** option. See chapter 4.12 in the GMT Technical reference for a discussion of GMT pen values. [Defaults: width = 1, color = 0/0/0, texture = solid].
- MVN** [*null*[/r/g/b]]  
Draws a plane at the level of the *null* value (with respect to the data in the grid file specified with the **-I** option). If the optional r/g/b is provided, the frontal facade between the plane and the data perimeter is filled with this color. If **-MVN** is given by itself, then **mbm\_grd3dplot** causes the null plane to be drawn at the minimum z-level and the facade to be colored a light gray (r=g=b=200).
- O** *root*  
Sets the root used to construct the filename of the output shellscript (*root.cmd*) and names of files created when the shellscript is run. Normally the name of the input grid file or grid file list is used as the *root*.
- P** *pagesize*  
This option sets the size of the page the plot will be centered on. If the user does not set the plot scale, the plot will be sized as large as will fit on the designated page. If the user sets the plot scale such that the plot will not fit on the designated page, a larger page will be used. The supported page sizes are:

American ANSI sizes:

A 8.5 x 11.0 in. ( 215.9 x 279.4 mm)  
B 11.0 x 17.0 in. ( 279.4 x 431.8 mm)  
C 17.0 x 22.0 in. ( 431.8 x 558.8 mm)  
D 22.0 x 34.0 in. ( 558.8 x 863.6 mm)  
E 34.0 x 44.0 in. ( 863.6 x 1117.6 mm)  
F 28.0 x 40.0 in. ( 711.2 x 1016.0 mm)  
E1 44.0 x 68.0 in. (1117.6 x 1727.2 mm)

Metric ISO A sizes:

A0 841.0 x 1189.0 mm (33.11 x 46.81 in.)  
A1 594.0 x 841.0 mm (23.39 x 33.11 in.)  
A2 420.0 x 594.0 mm (16.54 x 23.39 in.)  
A3 297.0 x 420.0 mm (11.69 x 16.54 in.)  
A4 210.0 x 297.0 mm ( 8.27 x 11.69 in.)  
A5 148.0 x 210.0 mm ( 5.83 x 8.27 in.)  
A6 105.0 x 148.0 mm ( 4.13 x 5.83 in.)  
A7 74.0 x 105.0 mm ( 2.91 x 4.13 in.)  
A8 52.0 x 74.0 mm ( 2.05 x 2.91 in.)  
A9 37.0 x 52.0 mm ( 1.46 x 2.05 in.)  
A10 26.0 x 37.0 mm ( 1.02 x 1.46 in.)

Metric ISO B sizes:

B0 1000.0 x 1414.0 mm (39.37 x 55.67 in.)  
 B1 707.0 x 1000.0 mm (27.83 x 39.37 in.)  
 B2 500.0 x 707.0 mm (19.68 x 27.83 in.)  
 B3 353.0 x 500.0 mm (13.90 x 19.68 in.)  
 B4 250.0 x 353.0 mm ( 9.84 x 13.90 in.)  
 B5 176.0 x 250.0 mm ( 6.93 x 9.84 in.)  
 B6 125.0 x 176.0 mm ( 4.92 x 6.93 in.)  
 B7 88.0 x 125.0 mm ( 3.46 x 4.92 in.)  
 B8 62.0 x 88.0 mm ( 2.44 x 3.46 in.)  
 B9 44.0 x 62.0 mm ( 1.73 x 2.44 in.)  
 B10 31.0 x 44.0 mm ( 1.22 x 1.73 in.)

Metric ISO C sizes:

C0 914.4 x 1300.5 mm (36.00 x 51.20 in.)  
 C1 650.2 x 914.4 mm (25.60 x 36.00 in.)  
 C2 457.2 x 650.2 mm (18.00 x 25.60 in.)  
 C3 325.1 x 457.2 mm (12.80 x 18.00 in.)  
 C4 228.6 x 325.1 mm ( 9.00 x 12.80 in.)  
 C5 162.6 x 228.6 mm ( 6.40 x 9.00 in.)  
 C6 114.3 x 162.6 mm ( 4.50 x 6.40 in.)  
 C7 81.3 x 114.3 mm ( 3.20 x 4.50 in.)

MB-System large format sizes:

m1 1371.6 x 1828.8 mm (54.00 x 72.00 in.)  
 m2 1371.6 x 2133.6 mm (54.00 x 84.00 in.)  
 m3 1371.6 x 2438.4 mm (54.00 x 96.00 in.)  
 m4 1524.0 x 1828.8 mm (60.00 x 72.00 in.)  
 m5 1524.0 x 2133.6 mm (60.00 x 84.00 in.)  
 m6 1524.0 x 2438.4 mm (60.00 x 96.00 in.)

The default page size is A.

- Q** Normally, the output plot generation shellsript includes lines which execute a program to display the Postscript image on the screen. This option causes those lines to be commented out so that executing the shellsript produces a Postscript plot but does not attempt to display it on the screen. Alternatively, invoking the plot generation shellsript with a **-N** command line argument also suppresses the screen display of the plot. The program to be used to display the Postscript is set using **mbdefaults**; the default value can be overridden by setting the environment variable **\$MB\_PS\_VIEWER**.
- R** *west/east/south/north*  
*west, east, south, and north* specify the Region of interest. To specify boundaries in degrees and minutes [and seconds], use the dd:mm[:ss] format. Append **r** if lower left and upper right map coordinates are given instead of wesn. You may ask for a larger *w/e/s/n* region to have more room between the image and the axes. A smaller region than specified in the grdf file will result in a subset of the grid [Default is region given by the grdf file].
- S** [*color/shade*]  
 This option enables effective histogram equalization of the color and/or shading of the gridded data. The equalization is not achieved by changing the data values, but rather by constructing the color or shading tables so that the boundaries in the tables encompass equal fractions of the data-points. This serves to focus color or shading contrasts in value ranges corresponding to the bulk of the data values. If **-S** is given alone or with *color* = 1, it enables equalization of the color table used for color or gray fill plots, shaded or unshaded. If the plot is to be shaded, either by synthetic illumination (**-G2**) or using an intensity file (**-K** and **-G3** options), then setting *shade* = 1 will cause the shading to be equalized. Using **-S0/1** will equalize the shading without equalizing



the color table.

**-U** *orientation*

Normally the orientation of the plot (portrait or landscape) is selected automatically so as to maximize the plot scale. The **-U** option allows the user to set the plot orientation. If *orientation* = 1, a portrait plot will be produced; if *orientation* = 2, a landscape plot will be produced.

**-W** [*color\_style*[/*palette*[*ncolors*]] | *cptfile*]

This option controls the color scheme used for color fill plots.

If *color\_style* = 1 [default], then the color scheme used will be a continuous grading of colors. If *color\_style* = 2, the color scheme will be a set of discrete color intervals. The color palette used is set using *palette*. Seven palettes are available:

*palette* = 1: Haxby colors [default]  
*palette* = 2: high Intensity colors  
*palette* = 3: low Intensity colors  
*palette* = 4: grayscale  
*palette* = 5: uniform grayscale  
*palette* = 6: uniform black  
*palette* = 7: uniform white

The RGB definitions of the color palettes are:

color palette 1 – Haxby Color Table

red: 255 255 255 255 240 205 138 106 50 40 37  
green: 255 186 161 189 236 255 236 235 190 127 57  
blue: 255 133 68 87 121 162 174 255 255 251 175

color palette 2 – High Intensity Colors

red: 255 255 255 255 128 0 0 0 0 128 255  
green: 0 64 128 255 255 255 255 128 0 0 0  
blue: 0 0 0 0 0 0 255 255 255 255 255

color palette 3 – Low Intensity Colors

red: 200 194 179 141 90 0 0 0 0 90 141  
green: 0 49 90 141 179 200 141 90 0 0 0  
blue: 0 0 0 0 0 0 141 179 200 179 141

color palette 4 – Grayscale

red: 255 230 204 179 153 128 102 77 51 26 0  
green: 255 230 204 179 153 128 102 77 51 26 0  
blue: 255 230 204 179 153 128 102 77 51 26 0

color palette 5 – Uniform Grayscale

red: 128 128 128 128 128 128 128 128 128 128 128  
green: 128 128 128 128 128 128 128 128 128 128 128  
blue: 128 128 128 128 128 128 128 128 128 128 128

color palette 6 – Uniform Black

red: 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
green: 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
blue: 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

color palette 7 – Uniform White

red: 255 255 255 255 255 255 255 255 255 255 255  
green: 255 255 255 255 255 255 255 255 255 255 255

blue: 255 255 255 255 255 255 255 255 255 255

The Haxby colors have been adapted from a palette developed by Dr. William Haxby of the Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory; this palette is pleasing to the eye and well suited for shading. The high intensity colors describe linear paths through RGB space from red to blue to green to purple; because the colors are high intensity they are not well suited to shading. The low intensity colors are similar to the high intensity, but muted and thus well suited to shading. The grayscale palette runs linearly from white to black and is commonly used for plots of sidescan and amplitude data. The uniform grayscale is useful for non-color shaded relief plots.

The *ncolors* parameter sets the number of color values used in plotting, whether the colors are represented in a continuous color scale or a stepped, discrete color scale [default is 11].

If the option argument is the path to an existing **GMT** color palette (CPT) file, then that CPT file and its color scheme will be used for the plot

- V** Causes **mbm\_grd3dplot** to operate in "verbose" mode so that it outputs more information than usual.
- X** Normally, **mbm\_grd3dplot** creates an executable shellscript and then exits. This option will cause the shellscript to be executed in the background before **mbm\_grd3dplot** exits.
- Y** Normally, **mbm\_grd3dplot** generates nicely rounded numbers for the boundaries of the color palette. Often, the resulting color bounds extend well outside the range of the gridded data. This option causes the color boundaries to be uniformly distributed between the minimum and maximum values of the grid.
- Z** *min/max*  
This option overrides the minimum and maximum values of the gridded data, affecting the color palette and the contour interval if those parameters are not specified by the user.

## EXAMPLES

Suppose we have obtained two GRD files with dimensions of 127 by 194, one containing gridded bathymetry (grd\_sb2112\_example\_bath) and the other gridded sidescan (grd\_sb2112\_example\_ss). In order to generate a shellscript which will in turn generate a 3D color shaded relief view of the bathymetry, we use the **-G2** option. The grid file is in bathymetry (positive down) rather in topography (positive up), so the bathymetry needs to be rescaled by multiplying by  $-1$  (**-MGS-1**). We choose an illumination magnitude of 0.4 and an illumination azimuth of 45 degrees (**-A0.4/45**). We also choose a perspective azimuth of 250 degrees and an elevation of 30 degrees (**-E240/30**):

```
mbm_grd3dplot -Igrd_sb2112_example_bath \
  -G2 -A0.4/45 -E250/30 -MGS-1 -X -V \
  -Osb2112_example_bath3d
```

Now, to generate a 3D perspective view of the gridded bathymetry shaded using the gridded sidescan data, we use the **-G3** and **-K** options. We want the sidescan data to be histogram equalized, so we use **-S0/1**. We also want the shading to be more prominent than the default shading magnitude of 0.2 would produce, so we use **-A0.5**:

```
mbm_grd3dplot -Igrd_sb2112_example_bath \
  -Kgrd_sb2112_example_ss \
  -G3 -A0.5 -E250/30 -D0/1 \
  -S0/1 -MGS-1 -X -V \
  -Osb2112_example_bathss3d
```

The first example produces and executes a plot generation shellscript called sb2112\_example\_bath3d.cmd

and the second produces a shellscript called sb2112\_example\_bathss3d.cmd. As an example, the contents of the plotting shellscript "sb2112\_example\_bathss3d.cmd" are:

```
#
# Shellscript to create Postscript plot of data in grd file
# Created by macro mbm_grd3dplot
#
# This shellscript created by following command line:
# mbm_grd3dplot -Igrd_sb2112_example_bath \
#   -Kgrd_sb2112_example_ss -G3 -A0.5 \
#   -E250/30 -D0/1 -S0/1 -MGS-1 -X -V \
#   -Osb2112_example_bathss3d
#
# Save existing GMT defaults
echo Saving GMT defaults...
gmtdefaults -L > gmtdefaults$$
#
# Set new GMT defaults
echo Setting new GMT defaults...
gmtset ANOT_FONT Helvetica
gmtset LABEL_FONT Helvetica
gmtset HEADER_FONT Helvetica
gmtset ANOT_FONT_SIZE 8
gmtset LABEL_FONT_SIZE 8
gmtset HEADER_FONT_SIZE 10
gmtset FRAME_WIDTH 0.07499999999999997
gmtset TICK_LENGTH 0.07499999999999997
gmtset PAGE_ORIENTATION LANDSCAPE
gmtset COLOR_BACKGROUND 0/0/0
gmtset COLOR_FOREGROUND 255/255/255
gmtset COLOR_NAN 255/255/255
#
# Make color palette table file
echo Making color palette table file...
echo -4500 37 57 175 -4350 40 127 251 > \
    sb2112_example_bathss3d.cpt
echo -4350 40 127 251 -4200 50 190 255 >> \
    sb2112_example_bathss3d.cpt
echo -4200 50 190 255 -4050 106 235 255 >> \
    sb2112_example_bathss3d.cpt
echo -4050 106 235 255 -3900 138 236 174 >> \
    sb2112_example_bathss3d.cpt
echo -3900 138 236 174 -3750 205 255 162 >> \
    sb2112_example_bathss3d.cpt
echo -3750 205 255 162 -3600 240 236 121 >> \
    sb2112_example_bathss3d.cpt
echo -3600 240 236 121 -3450 255 189 87 >> \
    sb2112_example_bathss3d.cpt
echo -3450 255 189 87 -3300 255 161 68 >> \
    sb2112_example_bathss3d.cpt
echo -3300 255 161 68 -3150 255 186 133 >> \
    sb2112_example_bathss3d.cpt
echo -3150 255 186 133 -3000 255 255 255 >> \
    sb2112_example_bathss3d.cpt
```

```

#
# Rescale data
echo Rescaling data by -1...
echo Running grdmath...
grdmath grd_sb2112_example_bath -1 x = \
    grd_sb2112_example_bath.scale
#
# Get shading array
echo Getting shading array...
echo Running grdhisteq...
grdhisteq grd_sb2112_example_ss \
    -Ggrd_sb2112_example_ss.eq -N
echo Running grdmath...
grdmath grd_sb2112_example_ss.eq -0.5 x \
    = grd_sb2112_example_ss.int
rm -f grd_sb2112_example_ss.eq
#
# Make 3D view
echo Running grdview...
grdview grd_sb2112_example_bath.scale \
    -Jm13.678801784792578 \
    -Jz0.0014760910157720331 \
    -E250/30 \
    -R114.221/114.421/-31.9001/-31.6377 \
    -Csb2112_example_bathss3d.cpt \
    -N-4499.4399999999996/200/200/200 \
    -Igrd_sb2112_example_ss.int \
    -Qi \
    -P -X1.8081565710006675 -Y2 -K -V \
    > sb2112_example_bathss3d.ps
#
# Make color scale
echo Running psscale...
psscale -Csb2112_example_bathss3d.cpt \
    -D2.4418/-0.5000/4.8837/0.1500h \
    -B":Data Values:" \
    -P -K -O -V >> sb2112_example_bathss3d.ps
#
# Make basemap
echo Running psbasemap...
psbasemap -Jm13.678801784792578 \
    -Jz0.0014760910157720331 \
    -E250/30 \
    -R114.221/114.421/-31.9001/-31.6377 \
    -B5m/5m:"Data File grd_sb2112_example_bath":WSZ \
    -P -O -V >> sb2112_example_bathss3d.ps
#
# Delete surplus files
echo Deleting surplus files...
rm -f sb2112_example_bathss3d.cpt
rm -f grd_sb2112_example_bath.scale
#
# Reset GMT default fonts
echo Resetting GMT fonts...

```

```
mv gmtdefaults$$ .gmtdefaults
#
# Run xpsview
echo Running xpsview in background...
xpsview -ps a -maxp 4m sb2112_example_bathss3d.ps &
#
# All done!
echo All done!
```

**SEE ALSO**

**grdimage(1), grdcontour(1), mbdefaults(1), mbgrid(1), mbsystem(1), mbm\_grd3dplot(1), mbm\_plot(1), psbasemap(1), pstext(1), psxy(1)**

**BUGS**

By making this macro more useful, we have also made it more complex.