

## Chapter I-2 — Guided Tour of Igor Pro

**15. Click the graph's zoom button (Macintosh) or maximize button (Windows).**

To zoom the graph window on Macintosh, press the Option key while clicking the green button in the top/left corner of the window.

Notice how the rectangle and line expand with the graph. Their coordinates are measured relative to the plot area (rectangle enclosed by the axes).

**16. Click the graph's zoom button (Macintosh) or restore button (Windows).**

To restore the graph window on Macintosh, press the Option key while clicking the green button in the top/left corner of the window.

**17. Click the Arrow tool and then double-click the rectangle.**

The Modify Rectangle dialog appears showing the properties of the rectangle.

**18. Enter 0 in the Thickness box in the Line Properties section.**

This turns off the frame of the rectangle.

**19. Choose Solid from the Fill Mode pop-up menu.**

**20. Choose a light gray color from the Fore Color pop-up menu under the Fill Mode pop-up menu.**

**21. Click Do It.**

Observe that the rectangle forms a gray area behind the traces and axes.

**22. Again, double-click the rectangle.**

The Modify Rectangle dialog appears.

**23. From the X Coordinate pop-up menu, choose Axis Bottom.**

The X coordinates of the rectangle will be measured in terms of the bottom axis — as if they were data values.

**24. Press Tab until the X0 box is selected and type "0".**

**25. Tab to the X1 box and type "1.6".**

**26. Tab to the Y0 box and type "0".**

**27. Tab to Y1 and type "1".**

The X coordinates of the rectangle are now measured in terms of the bottom axis and the left side will be at zero while the right side will be at 1.6.

The Y coordinates are still measured relative to the plot area. Since we entered zero and one for the Y coordinates, the rectangle will span the entire height of the plot area.

**28. Click Do It.**

Notice the rectangle is nicely aligned with the axis and the plot area.

**29. Click the operate icon (  ) to exit drawing mode.**

**30. Press Option (Macintosh) or Alt (Windows), click in the middle of the plot area and drag about 2 cm to the right.**

The X axis range changes. Notice that the rectangle moved to align itself with the bottom axis.

**31. Choose Edit→Undo Modify.**

### Making a Window Recreation Macro

**1. Click the graph's close button.**

Igor presents a dialog which asks if you want to save a window recreation macro. The graph's name is "Graph0" so Igor suggests "Graph0" as the macro name.

**2. Click Save.**

Igor generates a window recreation macro in the currently hidden procedure window. A window recreation macro contains the commands necessary to recreate a graph, table, page layout, control panel or 3D plot. You can invoke this macro to recreate the graph you just closed.