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Subject: Printing to postscript

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Hi - I'm a bit new to IDL and would like some advice on printing greyscale filled contour plots so that they can be imported into Microsoft Word. The plots are drawn using the 'B-W Linear' colour table on the unix version of IDL 4.

I've currently got IDL to print encapsulated postscript files, but when printed out the colour (grey) range isn't as large as it should be, i.e. it goes from black to medium grey instead of black to white. I've checked the data and the code, the full range of the colour table should definitely be in the graphs, and indeed is apparent when the same plot is sent to the screen. Does anyone have any idea what's going wrong?

Also, as these are quite large arrays I'm printing, the eps files are huge (2MB plus); is there no alternative to eps for importing graphs into word?

Thanks in advance

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