
Subject: Re: Support for image formats

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In article <35F794DA.2F92CC81@aber.ac.uk>, Gary Beard <agb@aber.ac.uk> wrote:

> Are there any routines for outputting plots in standard image formats
> such as .gif or .jpg etc. The .cgm implementation doesn't seem to work
> properly
> on our system, leaving me with only the PostScript option. This is
> fine, but although encapsulated PS can be included in MS Word, it cannot
> be viewed. Yes, I could use third party format conversion packages, but
> these
> invariably yield poor results. Yes, I could use another WP (please no
> Bill
> Gates rants), but Word is standard in our department.
> The lack of IDL support for output in standard graphic formats seems a
> glaring
> omission in a package geared towards imaging work. Are there any plans
> for
> improvements in this area in future releases?

The only glaring omission is in seeing the `write_gif` and `write_jpg` procedures :-). Check your reference manual or online help for these procedures, as well as several others such as `write_srf`, `write_pict`, `write_bmp`, etc.

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