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Subject: Re: Easy way to make hard copies at full printer resolution

Posted by [steinhh](#) on Sat, 07 Aug 1999 07:00:00 GMT

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In article <MPG.12150a3fd1c555a989880@news.frii.com>  
davidf@dfanning.com (David Fanning) writes:

> Uh, no, I haven't written a graphics driver. But I am  
> tired of hearing about it and I could use someone pounding me  
> on the back and telling me what a great guy I am (I lost  
> another tennis match today), so I'm gonna have a go at  
> writing something. [...]

Well, that would be great, indeed!

> Anyway, I've got a few ideas... :-)

I've got a few myself, if you do the work, David!  
Probably the best thing to start with is the JOURNAL  
command. The system variable !JOURNAL is set to the  
file unit used for journalling, you could use that to  
FLUSH,!JOURNAL to make sure everything's there. Grab  
the file contents, let the user set the starting point  
(or possibly auto-detect e.g. wset/window and similar  
procedures!) and edit a little bit, then squeeze the  
program in between your favourite PS "wrappers" and  
execute.. probably at the \$main\$ level!

So, users should invoke your script with e.g. "@printwin",  
and @printwin may contain e.g.:

```
fancy_journal_editing,'printwinexec.pro'  
@printwinexec.pro
```

You could of course use RECALL\_COMMANDS instead - though  
the default of 20 lines stored is not enough. The user  
has to either start JOURNAL, or change !EDIT\_INPUT  
to have sufficient storage.... Oops, I better go back  
to my thesis before I get carried away like I did  
with the dlmform script..

So, when will we see it, David :-)

Cheers,

Stein Vidar

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