
Subject: Re: Windows PostScript Preview Image
Posted by [davidf](#) on Wed, 17 Nov 1999 08:00:00 GMT
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Martin Schultz (m218003@modell3.dkrz.de) writes:

- > Nice article! Only one little bit of info missing: what's the file
- > size for the various versions? I remember some examples when a
- > preview image would blow up the eps file considerably - and one
- > could be tempted to conceive that the wonderful TIFF image is somewhat
- > larger than the others.

Yes, the file size information might be helpful.

As you might expect, the IDL preview method doesn't create a very big file, since it apparently throws away most of the information you care about. :-(
The resulting EPS file is 53 KB in size.

Interestingly, the GSView method, when you create a Windows metafile preview, is even smaller, although the preview image looks reasonably good in Microsoft Word. That file is only 41 KB. But, remember, this is a file that Framemaker couldn't load. The EPS file with the TIFF preview image is bigger, of course, but not terribly so. It is 254 KB in size.

The Acrobat method was somewhere in the middle. It created an EPS preview file of 157 KB. Since this was a Level 1 PostScript ASCII file, I also tried a Level 2 PostScript binary file. That file is 141 KB and the preview quality is the same.

If I get a minute I'll add the numbers to the article.

Cheers,

David

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