Subject: Re: grayscale vs. color
Posted by davidf on Mon, 22 May 2000 07:00:00 GMT

Martin Schultz (martin.schultz@dkrz.de) writes:

> put in a feature request for supporting the CMYK color scheme!

Hear, hear!

> Apparently it doesn't happen too often that this is needed (which leads
> to the question: what kind of graphics software do these hot-shots who
> are writing books use?), but it is sure frustrating if, after months of
> reiteration, your oh-so-beautiful plot can't be used for publication
> because of -- err, yes, color handling ;=)

Uh, they use black and white, mostly. :-(

But printing technology is advancing so rapidly that
scientists must inevitably become experts in the
graphics arts arena too if we want to present our
data in the best light (as it were).

I've actually been thinking of adding some color
graphics to the Second Edition of my book. Hell,
a whole chapter on color handling and not one color
picture! It is absolutely inevitable. CMYK (and I
mean *real* CMYK, not something half-baked) would
be a welcome addition to the program library.

And it will fit in nicely with the 24-bit color
printers that are in all of our futures. Perhaps
a concerted response now will get IDL out ahead of
the curve on this one. :-)

Cheers,

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