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Subject: Re: thumbnails

Posted by [davidf](#) on Thu, 01 Mar 2001 18:41:29 GMT

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steve (nobody@nowhere.com) writes:

> Does anyone know how to produce \*.eps files with thumbnails (in IDL 5.x)?

IDL 5.4 has some new keywords for producing a PostScript preview image: PRE\_XSIZE, PRE\_YSIZE, PRE\_DEPTH. These are suppose to allow you to create a preview, or thumbnail, image of a particular size.

I just tried it with a screen snapshot:

```
snapshot = TVRD(True=1)
Set_Plot, 'PS'
Device, /Encapsulate, /Preview, Pre_XSize=100, Pre_YSize=100, $
    Pre_Depth=8, Color=1
TV, snapshot, True=1
Device, /Close_File
```

IDL went away for 5-6 several seconds while the file was written.  
But the resulting file was over 17 MBytes in size!

I think I'm going to stick to the tried and true way of  
adding preview images in GhostView. :-(

Cheers,

David

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