Subject: Re: BETTER FONTS

Posted by Liam E. Gumley on Mon, 19 Mar 2001 15:08:28 GMT

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David Fanning wrote:

Liam Gumley (Liam.Gumley@ssec.wisc.edu) writes:

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- >> If you are running IDL 5.4 on a Windows platform, you can use the METAFILE
- >> device to create graphical output which looks great in Microsoft
- >> applications (such as Word or Powerpoint). For example:

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- >> entry_device = !d.name
- >> set_plot, 'METAFILE'
- >> device, filename='test.emf'
- >> device, set_font='Helvetica*32'
- >> x = findgen(200) * 0.1
- $>> y = \sin(x)$
- >> plot, x, y, title='Test Plot', xtitle='X-Axis', ytitle='Y-Axis', font=0
- >> device, /close file
- >> set_plot, entry_device

>>

- >> To import the resulting Windows Enhanced Metafile (test.emf) into Word, use
- >> 'Insert/Picture/From File'.

- > Humm. Using exactly this code, I find the Y axis
- > label is not rotated when I import this into
- > Microsoft Word. Do you see something else, Liam?
- > I'm running on Microsoft products, naturally. :-(

That will teach me a lesson. The example I actually *ran* didn't have a y-axis label. Note to self: don't post code without testing it.

However if one can live without a y-axis label, the fonts really are quite nice in METAFILe output.

Cheers.

Liam.

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