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Subject: Re: Please help. PostScript Import  
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In article <33tbj8\$8fm@nps.navy.mil> olsen@physics.nps.navy.mil writes:  
> In article 82@puknet.puk.ac.za, fskmjm@puknet.puk.ac.za (Mathews, MJ) writes:  
>> I'm running IDL 3.5.1 under Windows 3.1 and would like to import PostScript  
>> graphs into Word for Windows 6. I've tried device, /encapsulate, but all I  
>> get after importing to Word, is the title, creator and date, with a border  
>> around it. No plot!  
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Do you mean that all that appears on the computer screen is the title, creator and date, with no plot, or is that all you get when you try to print the document. It has been our experience that when you use the device, /encaps commands to create PostScript, and then import the PS file into Word, you will only see the title, creator, etc, on the screen, but the plot will appear when you print out the document (I believe this has something to do with the fact that Word does not bother to translate the PS file into an object which it can display on the screen, since the PS file is already printer-ready.

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> I would suggest using a different format, if you want to see the results in  
> your document - I use the 'cgm' format fairly regularly on the PC, and  
> am routinely writing class notes in Word f.w. 6 with IDL plots imbedded.  
> Import as a picture, then you can edit the image! very handy for adjusting the  
> size....  
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> rc olsen  
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I would also recommend you use the 'cgm' format, since it does allow the plot to be edited after it is inserted into the document. It is a little harder to do that with the imported PostScript document.

Kip Matthews

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