Subject: Re: color_quan(...., Cube=6) makes white white, but ... Posted by nobody@nowhere.com (S on Tue, 30 Apr 2002 22:10:28 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

On Tue, 30 Apr 2002 18:37:58 -0000, Steve Smith<steven_smith> <nobody@nowhere.com> wrote:

- > On Tue, 30 Apr 2002 09:35:16 -0600, David Fanning <david@dfanning.com> wrote:
- >> I just tried a fairly complicated scene with a map, image on map,
- >> colorbar, etc. Made a PS file in IDL. Converted that to an EPS
- >> file in Ghostview with several different types of preview images
- >> (TIFF, Windows metafile, etc.). All behaved perfectly in Windows,
- >> allowing scaling, etc. Preview looked like, well... a preview. But
- >> all printed nicely.

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- >> Interestingly, if I made an EPS file in IDL, then the bounding
- >> box was made too small and some of the text of my colorbar was
- >> cut off. (This happened in IDL 5.4 and 5.5. Is this a bug?)
- >> But scaling, printing, etc. were all as I expected.

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- > I ended up making PS and using gsview to make EMF files on a Windows98
- > machine. I'll have to go back and make some EPS files w/preview and
- > compare the two. Incidentally, it's usually the text that is spoiled in
- > the conversions.

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I tried it (making EPS w/preview --> Word, call it CASE1), printing looks beautiful (and better quality than the EMF images inserted into word, call that CASE2), but the screen is ugly :((CASE2 looks better on the screen). The most dissappointing part is that when printing the documents to a PDF file (with Adobe PDFwriter), the EPS/w preview images (CASE1) are inferior to the EMF images (CASE2) in the final PDF document >:| !!! Worse yet, the trend is preserved when printing the PDF's. So maybe the postscript is NOT used by the PDF writer?

I'm speculating that perhaps the thing to do is create a postscript document by printing the Word document to a file (and massaging out the non-postscript commands WinXX sticks in) and converiting that directly to PDF. Unfortunately, it doesn't fix the original problem: I need to give a figure that can be inserted into Word by a colleauge.

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