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Subject: Re: Postscript output mods

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In article <avq4gi\$9bav\$1@zam602.zam.kfa-juelich.de>,  
Reimar Bauer <R.Bauer@fz-juelich.de> wrote:

- > If you like to use MS word I believe the best is to convert the postscript
- > by ghostview for windows into an image like jpeg or png.
- > Or on unix or linux by ps2img or convert.
- > Our experience with ms word users and postscript is that's ms word is very
- > bad in handling embedded postscript files.
- > (This depends on the type of images, some of our postscriptfiles are 12MB)
- > If you write in latex there is no need to rotate by ghostview because there
- > is an option by epsfig or others where you can set several postscript
- > options like rotate or clipping.
- > Normally if you like idl you like latex too.

Word *is* very picky about PS files. I have learned that (on the Mac)  
saving Illustrator EPS files as version 8 (rather than the current  
version 10) works much better if the files are to be placed in Word.  
(That is, version 10 doesn't work at all.)

There is a nice new version of Tex for OS X that does output in PDF. It  
easily imports PDF files into Tex documents as well. Since any Mac  
application will make PDFs, this is very nice.

Ken Bowman

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