Subject: Re: RFC 1: Common functions for beginners Posted by David Fanning on Tue, 20 May 2003 16:42:51 GMT

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David Fanning (david@dfanning.com) writes:

- > A few times!? I pretty much run into it constantly, and
- > I go to GREAT effort to write programs in a device-independent
- > fashion. If you are restricted to direct graphics for whatever
- > reason, there are some things you can't do EXCEPT with
- > DEVICE, DECOMPOSED=0. Filled contour plots come immediately
- > to mind. :-(

Whoops! I was so exercised I hit that Send button before I was ready.

But what makes this *essential* to teach in the first 20 things you have to know, is that if you run into it your first impression is that you have gone completely crazy (It worked yesterday!!) instead of blaming the stupid software for not being able to figure it out.

Cheers,

David

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