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**Subject:** Re: transparent background  
**Posted by** [R.Bauer](#) **on Tue, 03 Jun 2003 17:25:47 GMT**  
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Craig Niederberger wrote:

> Hi all,  
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> I'm trying to import a plot into PowerPoint, but I'd like the  
> background to be transparent. I've been fooling around with the  
> metafile display device, e.g.  
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> SET\_PLOT, 'METAFILE'  
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> but so far have been unable to achieve a transparent background. Any  
> ideas?  
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> Many TIA,  
> Craig

Three months are gone

Please have a look at the google archive and search for example

pstoimg group:comp.lang.idl-pwave group:comp.lang.idl-pwave  
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pstoimg has a transparent parameter.

from the help:

-transparent  
Generate transparent bitmaps, i.e. the background  
color (white) is transparent if viewed with certain  
viewers (e.g. browsers). This option may not be avail-  
able due to missing capabilities of external programs.

pstoimg - Convert a PostScript file to a bitmap image  
using Ghostscript and the Netpbm utilities

regards

Reimar

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a IDL library at ForschungsZentrum Juelich  
[http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl\\_icglib/idl\\_lib\\_intro.html](http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl_icglib/idl_lib_intro.html)

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