Subject: Re: PostScript output from iTools Posted by David Fanning on Mon, 17 Nov 2003 00:48:16 GMT

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Ralph Gailis writes:

- > Has anyone tried to produce PostScript output from iTools (in particular iPlot)?
- > The only way I can find is to select File->Print from the menu, and then check the
- > box "Print to File". This doesn't seem to produce the same quality as PostScript
- > generated from direct graphics using the PS device. Fonts, symbols and lines
- > appear somewhat blurry, much the same way as exporting a plot figure to an image
- > file format such as bitmap, jpeg etc.

As I understand it, object graphics output to PostScript can only be accomplished currently by sending an "image" to PostScript.

- > If PostScript is not the answer, is there some other way of creating publication
- > quality figures (such as for a journal article) using iPlot? Exporting to some
- > image file format (which appears to be the only option at present) just doesn't
- > give acceptable results.

Oh, well. Back to MPI_PLOT, I guess. :-)

http://www.dfanning.com/programs/mpi_plot.zip

- > Are there any plans to give PostScript support to iTools, such as is currently
- > available for direct graphics, in a future release?

If RSI has been paying attention (I'm sure they have been), then they are well aware that a vector engine for object graphics PostScript output would be a GOOD IDEA. :-)

Cheers,

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