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Subject: Re: Publication-quality plots

Posted by [K. Bowman](#) on Wed, 02 Jun 2004 21:18:08 GMT

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In article <MPG.1b27c358d6b12d4f989779@news.frii.com>,  
David Fanning <davidf@dfanning.com> wrote:

>> So, does no-one have joy with windows metafiles?  
>> Or directly through the windows clip-board (OLE, and all that)?  
>  
> You might ask the Mac users. They go in for that sort  
> of thing. :-)  
>  
> Cheers,  
>  
> David

Now that Macs run Unix (OS X), IDL runs under X Windows. If I  
understand the question correctly, its about grabbing images from the  
screen.

If you want to copy bitmap graphics from an X window, you can use Grab  
or some other screen capture tool. (Grab also grabs the window borders.  
Duh.)

I don't bother with screen capture. I either TVREAD and then WRITE\_PNG,  
or, more commonly, write directly to Postscript.

Ken

P.S. Still hoping (obviously in vain), that they'll add full 24-bit  
color support to the PS device driver.

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