
Subject: EPS vs. PS

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This isn't really an IDL question, but I figured that some of you might have dabbled more in image file formats than I have. I have some object graphics and created an EPS file (which looks really nice, BTW). I couldn't find any way to save the object graphics as normal PS. Despite David's notes on this (http://www.dfanning.com/ographics_tips/object_eps.html), I couldn't even get the printer thing to work.

It was then that I had what I thought was a brilliant idea. I used ImageMagick to convert the EPS to a PS. I printed out both files. The EPS file looked awesome -- everything nice and smooth and crisp. The printout of the PS file had some fuzziness about it. It appeared that the conversion was done by rasterizing the EPS and saving that as PS. The rasterization would have produced the fuzziness I saw. So, does anyone know how to convert EPS to PS and preserve the vector-ness of the EPS? Maybe there's an option of ImageMagick I don't know about yet or maybe even something in IDL itself? Ideas? Any PS gurus out there?

-Mike
