In article <423ff1a0@news.nwl.ac.uk>, "Unknown" <wmc@bas.ac.uk> wrote:

> Ken Mankoff <mankoff@gmail.com> wrote:
> I've built it and played with it a little but not much. I have trouble
> with plots: if anyone can tell me the solution to: wmc> plot,[0,1]
> PLPlot abort handler: plInitDispatchTable: Could not open drivers
> directory *** PLPLOT ERROR ***
> plInitDispatchTable: Could not open drivers directory, aborting
> operation Requested device xwin not available
> I'd be grateful. This is from redhat linux BTW. -W.

Hi,

Plplot has a number of drivers which (on Debian at least) are distributed
as separate packages to the plplot library. From memory, there are xwin,
 ps, gd, gtk packages. You need the xwin package to plot to the screen.

I don't know what version of plplot you're using but if it's > 5.10 (I
think) it should have dynamic loading of the xwin device, which implies
it might be a separate package.

Chris.