
Subject: Re: Producing graphics without screen display
Posted by [M.Reuss](#) on Tue, 16 Jan 1996 08:00:00 GMT
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The SET_PLOT routine determines the output device.
If you want to create a PostScript file, simply call

```
SET_PLOT,'PS'
```

and all graphics output will be written to the file 'idl.ps'
in your default directory instead of to the screen.

After you have finished your plot, make sure to call

```
DEVICE,/close
```

in order to close the file. Then you can send it to the printer.

Moreover, you can do lots of modifications to the PostScript output
using the DEVICE routine. The keywords of this routine are very
different for PostScript than for screen output.

All this should be documented in the IDL Reference Guide.

Yours

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