
Subject: How to use customized Hershey fonts?

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Hi all,

I'd like to draw a special symbol which is not available in IDL's font set. After poking around for some time in the help assistant, I learned that there's a routine called EFONT in which I can easily create the character of my desire. Unfortunately, I cannot figure out how to use it then. :-(

Since, being non-root, I don't have write access to IDL's main directory, I cannot change the herish1.chr file there. Saving the character or a whole font set to my local directory works, but I don't know how to make use of that e.g. with XYOUTS. I thought of making a local copy of herish1.chr but could not figure out a way to get IDL to use that one.

So... is EFONT useless or am I missing something?

Thanks,
Rainer
