
Subject: Configuring XPrinter

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I am going to make one more try at using the XPrinter printing system.
I do this every few years whenever I miss the feeling of being intensely
frustrated.

Let me start with something very simple.

I am running IDL 6.4 on Mac OS X 10.5. To have a clean slate I move my
.XPrinterDefaults to a new file and start IDL. I create an iTool with

iSurface, DIST(50)

and then select Print from the File menu. The default output is EPSF to
the file xprinter.eps. I use all the defaults and click OK.

An EPS file (xprinter.eps) appears in my home directory. I open it, and
unlike the onscreen graphic, it is grayscale. No color.

I would be delighted to get EPS output, but I need color. There is no
obvious way to turn color on in the Print dialog box.

Is it possible to create color EPSF output? If so, how?

Thanks, Ken Bowman
