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Subject: Re: Greek Symbols in Plot Annotations  
Posted by [wlandsman](#) on Mon, 11 Jan 2010 13:26:27 GMT  
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> You can find the Greek program here:  
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> <http://www.dfanning.com/programs/greek.pro>  
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Those of us who know LaTeX have probably been using the TeXtoIDL package for this task. (The original version is at <http://physweb.mnstate.edu/mcraig/textoidl/> ; a slightly improved package is available in the excellent Sloan Digital Sky Survey (SDSS) library <http://code.google.com/p/sdssidl/> ). One finds the string for the Greek alpha symbol as `string = textoidl("\alpha")`. But I don't believe that TeXtoIDL handles true-type fonts, so `greek.pro` should still be useful even for TeXtoIDL users -- thanks.

--Wayne

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