
Subject: Re: A routine to annotate PS files
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Sat, 09 Jan 2010 15:30:24 GMT
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Ed Hyer writes:

- > So here is a routine you can use to personalize your PS files and make
- > them easier to search. The most obvious application is to attach the
- > IDL calling stack in the postscript file, so that you can determine
- > what script exactly made what file and when. However, this procedure
- > is extensible, and I suspect people will find more uses for it.

This is an interesting idea, and ties in quite nicely with the notion of provenance, which everyone in the data business is paying a lot of attention to these days.

But doesn't this add an extra, blank, page of output to every PostScript file? You can't just open the file up in GhostView and see the results. You have to go to the 2nd page. This takes some of the shine off it for me. :-(

Cheers,

David

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
