On Dec 16, 9:42 pm, Paul van Delst <paul.vande...@noaa.gov> wrote:

> What tex/latex graphics package do you use to include the files in your tex
> docs? Without changing anything in my document preamble, I just replaced my
> usual .eps plot file with a .pdf one (generated from v8 "Function Graphics")
> in my tex file and the quality of the result was terrible. I've obviously
> done something wrong somewhere.
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> I'm on linux by the way.

Which distro? Some linux distribution include a genuinely ancient tex
setup. Especially with handling pdf the good changes have happened in
the last few years. Best advice I have is to use texlive - http://tug.org/texlive/

Before you muck about with new software, make sure you call pdflatex,
rather than (plain) latex. The actual binary is the same, but the in-
and output filters are different. Most packages (including the
standard graphicx and graphics) will autodetect which variant you use,
and set things up correctly.

I've been using pdf(la)tex for years, and the result is always good.
Some of the newer typographic trickery (optical right margins) is only
available in pdftex. But I digress into another hobby I have.

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