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Subject: Re: transparent symbols

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On Feb 8, 10:10 am, bing999 <thibaultga...@gmail.com> wrote:

> On Feb 8, 4:48 pm, bing999 <thibaultga...@gmail.com> wrote:

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>> Hi,

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>> I want to overplot symbols (filled circles) on a previously drawn

>> figure. To make it easier to read, I would like to make the symbols

>> transparent.

>> Is there a way to do that?

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>> Thanks a lot!

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>> cheers

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> And please note that I would like to save the plot in PostScript... :)

While the new IDL graphics system has the capability to produce transparent symbols etc, you still can't save the plot directly into a postscript format (transparent regions will become opaque). You will have to first save the plot in a png format and then convert to ps/eps.

Overplotting on a previously-drawn image is a whole different issue. Either ask the "supplier" (as Reimar suggested) or extract the data from the plot using something like Dexter (<http://dc.zah.uni-heidelberg.de/dexter/ui/ui/custom/>).

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