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Posted by [web](#) on Fri, 16 Mar 2001 07:43:52 GMT

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Subject: Re: how to edit a figure in PS form generated by IDL ?

Posted by [Glenn Newnham](#) on Fri, 16 Mar 2001 08:52:02 GMT

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I have used the CGM device for creating files that can be inserted and edited in MS Word. The code would go along the lines of:

```
set_plot, 'cgm'  
device, file='file name'  
plot, data  
device,/close  
set_plot,'win'  
end
```

Cheers,
Glenn Newnham

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Posted by [Mark Hadfield](#) on Mon, 19 Mar 2001 05:11:07 GMT

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There is a program called pstoeedit that can convert Postscript files to other, more easily editable, vector formats. It works OK on IDL-generated PS files, except that it ignores images.

If you're on Windows, the best way to install and use pstoeedit is to get it as part of the GSview package, from

<http://www.cs.wisc.edu/~ghost/>

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Subject: Re: how to edit a figure in PS form generated by IDL ?
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On Fri, 16 Mar 2001 15:43:52 +0800, "web" <jiali3@21cn.com> wrote:

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you can also generate jpg and eps that are easier to put in a word
file, and if you have an older version of IDL than the 5.4 you can
also generate gif files!

Francesco
