
Subject: Re: PostScript and pixmap
Posted by [Rick Towler](#) on Thu, 26 Jul 2001 15:16:36 GMT
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Why do you need to place the pixmap into a PS plot? Can you just set the plotting device (using SET_PLOT) to PS and re-plot your data? If you put your plotting commands in a subroutine you could easily save it in all sorts of formats by using SET_PLOT and DEVICE and calling your plotting routine.

If you NEED to do it the hard way, you do something like this:

```
image = TVRD()  
SET_PLOT, 'PS'  
DEVICE, filename='plot.ps'  
TV, image  
DEVICE, /CLOSE
```

There are a lot of details I left out but this should get you started.

If you are new to PS output with IDL I suggest David Fanning's IDL book. You might also want to check out Liam Gumley's new book too. Both are available thru Amazon.

-Rick Towler

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<lalassne@Mines.EDU> wrote in message  
news:Pine.A41.4.33.0107251802370.98512-100000@slate.Mines.ED U...  
> I am trying to take a plot that I have created and make it so that the  
> user can save it in several formats. I was hoping to include Post script  
> the plot has been put into a pixmap window  
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> - Lisa A. Lassner  
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> "We cannot do great things on this earth. We can only do small things  
> with great love."  
>  
> -Mother Teresa  
>
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Subject: Re: PostScript and pixmap
Posted by [david\[2\]](#) on Fri, 27 Jul 2001 04:01:57 GMT
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Rick Towler writes:

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- > available thru Amazon.

I've been waiting in vain for someone to mention PSConfig, the best program I've ever written, but alas Ben Tupper and Martin Schultz are the only ones I know who use it. :-)

But PSConfig will solve **all** your PostScript problems, I personally guarantee it. :-)

Cheers,

David

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