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Subject: Re: object graphics to postscript and how to copy an object tree  
Posted by [Pavel A. Romashkin](#) on Fri, 07 Sep 2001 15:37:19 GMT

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Cheers,  
Pavel

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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 07 Sep 2001 16:04:12 GMT

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Pavel A. Romashkin (pavel.romashkin@noaa.gov) writes:

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Humm. I've never noticed that PS output wasn't  
of acceptable quality. I've never had any difficulty  
either producing a PostScript file (although I don't  
think it is possible to do this \*without\* using the

printer dialog) or directly on a PostScript printer.  
You have to be sure to set the VECTOR keyword. About  
the only thing I have noticed is that some of the lines  
are awfully thin. I usually jack the THICK keyword  
up a bit if I'm producing PostScript line plots.

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Doesn't this work, too:

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I've never tried it. But I can't believe it wouldn't  
work just that wonderfully. :-)

Cheers,

David

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Posted by [Pavel A. Romashkin](#) on Fri, 07 Sep 2001 16:23:03 GMT  
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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 07 Sep 2001 18:39:17 GMT

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Pavel A. Romashkin (pavel.romashkin@noaa.gov) writes:

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Oh ... probably. :-)

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David

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Subject: Re: object graphics to postscript and how to copy an object tree

Posted by [btt](#) on Mon, 10 Sep 2001 13:33:29 GMT

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Caution! Use of Martin's BaseObject and BaseGUI is addictive. Yes, Martin's base object is perfect for this use.

Ben

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