
Subject: IDL 8, EPS vs. PS graphics

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Folks -

I just got around to trying to use the new plot functions on the creation of publication quality graphics. I've long thought this would help me in many ways. One of my needs is to save the careful crafted graphic in a variety of formats. I have always saved such graphics in both encapsulated (EPS) and regular postscript (PS). I need both flavors at different times in the publication process. I just ran this in the obvious way and find that '.ps' and '.eps' files are absolutely identical and it is my understand that this cannot be correct. One telling sign is that there is a "showpage" at the end of both. I thought encapsulated files were not allowed to have a showpage.

Am I missing some subtle control on the save method for PLOT? Am I missing something else entirely? Or, is this yet another problem with IDL 8?

Cheers,
Marc
