
Subject: Re: cgplot and eps

Posted by [Helder Marchetto](#) on Fri, 23 Nov 2012 11:01:42 GMT

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On Friday, November 23, 2012 11:29:42 AM UTC+1, simona bellavista wrote:

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> Thanx

Hi,

I was trying just this morning also to get this sorted.

I managed to do it this way:

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PS_Start, FILENAME='PlotExport.eps'
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cgerase
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cgplot, x, y
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cgplot, x, t, /overplot
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PS_END
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This works fine at first and I think it is the simplest thing you can try.

I then started fiddling with the PS_Start and PS_End commands and got fancy by looking at how David does it.

Well, I added slightly more complicated start and end commands (from cgPlot):

```
ps_filename = 'PlotExport.eps'
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```
cgWindow_GetDefs, $
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PS_Charsize = ps_charsize, $      ; The PostScript character size.
PS_FONT = ps_font, $             ; Select the font for PostScript output.
PS_Decomposed = ps_decomposed, $ ; Sets the PostScript color mode.
PS_Delete = ps_delete, $         ; Delete PS file when making IM raster.
PS_Metric = ps_metric, $         ; Select metric measurements in PostScript output.
PS_Scale_factor = ps_scale_factor, $ ; Select the scale factor for PostScript output.
PS_TT_Font = ps_tt_font          ; Select the true-type font to use for PostScript output.
;Set up the PostScript device.

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PS_Start, $
CHARSIZE=ps_charsize, $
DECOMPOSED=ps_decomposed, $
FILENAME=ps_filename, $
FONT=ps_font, $
ENCAPSULATED=encapsulated, $
METRIC=ps_metric, $
SCALE_FACTOR=ps_scale_factor, $
TT_FONT=ps_tt_font, $
QUIET=1

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[... do the plotting here...]

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cgWindow_GetDefs, $
IM_Density = im_density, $      ; Sets the density parameter on ImageMagick convert
command.
IM_Options = im_options, $      ; Sets extra ImageMagick options on the ImageMagick
convert command.
IM_Resize = im_resize, $        ; Sets the resize parameter on ImageMagick convert
command.
IM_Transparent = im_transparent, $ ; Sets the "alpha" keyword on ImageMagick convert
command.
IM_Width = im_width, $          ; Sets the width of raster file output created with
ImageMagick.
PDF_Unix_Convert_Cmd = pdf_unix_convert_cmd, $ ; Command to convert PS to PDF.
PDF_Path = pdf_path             ; The path to the Ghostscript conversion command.
; Close the PostScript file and create whatever output is needed.
PS_END, ALLOW_TRANSPARENT=im_transparent, $
DENSITY=im_density, $
GS_PATH=pdf_path, $
IM_OPTIONS=im_options, $
RESIZE=im_resize, $
UNIX_CONVERT_CMD=pdf_unix_convert_cmd, $
WIDTH=im_width

```

However, after this command, when I try to plot again on a normal window, I get strange fonts (thicker)... Still have to figure out this one.

The above is not fully tested, but did the job for me pretty well!

Cheers,
Helder

Subject: Re: cgplot and eps

Posted by [Helder Marchetto](#) on Fri, 23 Nov 2012 13:13:06 GMT

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> cgWindow_GetDefs, $
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> PS_Charsize = ps_charsize, $ ; The PostScript character size.
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> PS_FONT = ps_font, $          ; Select the font for PostScript output.
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> PS_TT_Font = ps_tt_font          ; Select the true-type font to use for PostScript output.
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> PS_Start, $
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> TT_FONT=ps_tt_font, $
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> IM_Resize = im_resize, $ ; Sets the resize parameter on ImageMagick convert
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Well, I have to say that if your final output is going to be a PS, then you don't need all the IM_* commands. You may actually only use:

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```

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;Set up the PostScript device.

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  DECOMPOSED=ps_decomposed, $
  FILENAME=ps_filename, $
  FONT=ps_font, $
  METRIC=ps_metric, $
  SCALE_FACTOR=ps_scale_factor, $
  TT_FONT=ps_tt_font, $
  QUIET=1
```

```
cgPlot, cgDemoData(1)
cgPlot, findgen(101)*30.0/100.0, /overplot
;do all the overplotting before the ps_end command
```

PS_END

Regarding my problem with the fonts... Well, that was just a big error of mine.. I was saving the !P variable for other purposes and re-plotting set the PS conditions.

Cheers,
Helder

Subject: Re: cgplot and eps
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 23 Nov 2012 13:40:30 GMT
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simona bellavista writes:

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to visualize the plot on x window and to print to eps at the same time.

I would do it this way:

```
cgplot, x, y, /window  
cgplot, x, t, /overplot, /addcmd  
cgcontrol, output='out.eps'
```

Cheers,

David

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Subject: Re: cgplot and eps

Posted by [Helder Marchetto](#) on Fri, 23 Nov 2012 13:48:39 GMT

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On Friday, November 23, 2012 2:40:29 PM UTC+1, David Fanning wrote:

> simona bellavista writes:

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I knew there was an easier way...

Oh well, gotta through away a few lines of code.

Thanks,
Helder

Subject: Re: cgplot and eps
Posted by [simona bellavista](#) on Fri, 23 Nov 2012 14:17:07 GMT
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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 23 Nov 2012 14:32:55 GMT

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al_legend, ..., /window
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Subject: Re: cgplot and eps

Posted by [simona bellavista](#) on Fri, 23 Nov 2012 14:47:41 GMT

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I found that this method doesn't work in combination with textoidl. If there are some symbols written with textoidl they will not rendered correctly if saving the eps with the 'output' keyword.

On Friday, November 23, 2012 2:32:54 PM UTC, David Fanning wrote:

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Subject: Re: cgplot and eps

Posted by [simona bellavista](#) on Fri, 23 Nov 2012 14:49:01 GMT

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for example, try `textoidl("\tau")` and `textoidl("\times")`

On Friday, November 23, 2012 2:47:41 PM UTC, simona bellavista wrote:

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Subject: Re: cgplot and eps
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 23 Nov 2012 22:18:32 GMT
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simona bellavista writes:

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> for example, try `textoidl('\tau')` and `textoidl('\times')`

Just going for a post-Thanksgiving hike now. But, you may want to read this article:

http://www.idlcoyote.com/cg_tips/kwexpressions.php

I don't have much control over `TextToIDL`, and I don't know what the `\times` thing does, but most of the things you want to do in `TextToIDL` can be done in `cgSymbol`, which I DO have control over. If something is not there, let me know. :-)

Greek and other symbols can be embedded directly into the text:

http://www.idlcoyote.com/cg_tips/embedsymbols.php

Cheers,

David

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Subject: Re: `cgplot` and `eps`

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Sat, 24 Nov 2012 16:30:37 GMT

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simona bellavista writes:

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> `textoidl`. If there are some symbols written with `textoidl`
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> the 'output' keyword. For example, try `textoidl('\tau')` and
> `textoidl('\times')`

I have added the symbols "times" (for multiplication) and "div" (for division) to `cgSymbol` today.

But, I have also gone further than that and made it possible to use `TextToIDL` codes directly from Coyote Graphics routines by embedding them in graphics text.

Please see the post "Using TexToIDL with Coyote Graphics Routines" that follows. An updated Coyote Library will be required.

Cheers,

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