

Graphics drivers for `pict2e`*

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1 Driver files

This file implements some of the currently supported drivers for the new version of the `pict2e` package. If the driver you use is not in this list then a `.def` file may be distributed with the `pict2e` package, or may be distributed with the standard L^AT_EX graphics bundle, or may be distributed with your driver.

If not, send us some details of the driver's `\special` syntax, and we will try to produce a suitable file.

Note that some of these files are for graphics drivers to which we have no access, so they are untested. Please send any corrections to the `latexbugs` address or directly to the authors.

1.1 Template

A template for a `pict2e` driver file.

`\pIIE@mode` This macro serves as an indicator to the `pict2e` package which mode the driver supports:

- 1 inapt/incapable (default, already set in `pict2e`)
 - 0 standard L^AT_EX only
 - 1 PostScript
 - 2 PDF
- (other values are reserved for future use)

Incapable drivers should not alter the default value given by the `pict2e` package, or set it explicitly to `-1`.

```
1 <{*template}>
2 \def\pIIE@mode{-1}
```

`\pIIE@code` The `pict2e` package expects the driver file to define the `\pIIE@code` command in a suitable way.

This command should locally establish the standard PostScript/PDF coordinate system (i.e., a cartesian coordinate system with positive x-axis pointing right and positive y-axis pointing up, and with unit `1 bp = 1/72 in`), albeit with the origin at T_EX's current point instead of the lower left corner of the page.

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Furthermore, it should save and restore the graphics state (`gsave/grestore` in PostScript, `q/Q` in PDF.) This may be achieved by using appropriate `\special` (or `\pdfliteral`, respectively) commands.

Moreover, this command should preserve (i.e., it should not change) the current colour as defined by the user via the commands of the `color` package from the graphics bundle.

Thus, the `\Gin@PS@restored` command that various *driver*.def files from the graphics bundle provide should usually come close to what is expected here.

```
3 \def\pIIE@code#1{
4 </template>
```

1.2 dvips

A `pict2e` driver file for the `dvips` driver.

`\pIIE@mode` We are about to generate PostScript code.

```
5 < *dvips>
6 \def\pIIE@mode{1}
```

`\pIIE@code` In this case the code inserted by the driver on behalf of the `\Gin@PS@restored` command performs a “0 `setgray`” operation, thus resetting any colour the user might have set by means of the `color` package. (See also L^AT_EX problem report `graphics/3569`.) We therefore have to resort to the following kludge: As long as we output only simple picture objects, our operations are “atomic.” Hence, we won’t need to set colours or gray shades within the PostScript code generated by `pict2e`; thus the offending `setgray` operator may as well be a no-op. To keep this redefinition local, we enclose the call to `\Gin@PS@restored` by a `save/restore` pair.

```
7 \def\pIIE@code#1{%
8   \Gin@PS@raw{save /setgray { pop } def}%
9   \Gin@PS@restored{#1}%
10  \Gin@PS@raw{restore}%
11 }
12 </dvips>
```

1.3 pdftex

A `pict2e` driver file for the `pdftex` driver.

`\pIIE@mode` We are about to generate PDF code. (Only, if pdf_TE_X is actually generating PDF; otherwise nothing will be output.)

```
13 < *pdftex>
14 \begingroup
15   \@ifundefined{pdfoutput}{-}{%
16     \ifnum\pdfoutput>0\relax
17       \gdef\pIIE@mode{2}
18     \fi
19   }
20 \endgroup
```

`\pIIE@code` The save/restore operators are necessary here to prevent the change of the CTM (scaling and rotation operations) that `pict2e` inserts from propagating.

```

21 \ifcase\pIIE@mode\relax \or\or
22 \def\pIIE@code#1{\pdfliteral{ q #1 Q }}
23 \fi
24 </pdfTeX>

```

1.4 vtex

A `pict2e` driver file for the `vtex` driver.

`\pIIE@mode` With `VTEX`, we should use PostScript code also for PDF mode (Email from Michael Vulis, MicroPress).

```

25 < *vtex >
26 \begingroup
27 \@ifundefined{VTeXversion}{}{%
28 \ifnum\OpMode>0\relax
29 \ifnum\OpMode<3\relax
30 \gdef\pIIE@mode{1}%
31 \fi
32 \fi
33 }
34 \endgroup

```

`\pIIE@code` Here `\Gin@PS@restored` suffices as provided by the graphics driver file `vtex.def`.

```

35 \ifcase\pIIE@mode\relax \or
36 \let\pIIE@code\Gin@PS@restored
37 \fi
38 </vtex >

```

1.5 dvipdfm

A `pict2e` driver file for the `dvipdfm` driver.

`\pIIE@mode` We are about to generate PDF code.

```

39 < *dvipdfm >
40 \def\pIIE@mode{2}

```

`\pIIE@code` This seems to be sufficient.

```

41 \def\pIIE@code#1{\special{pdf: content #1}}
42 </dvipdfm >

```

1.6 dvipdf

A `pict2e` driver file for the `dvipdf` driver (not yet implemented).

`\pIIE@mode`

```

43 < *dvipdf >
44 %\def\pIIE@mode{-1}

```

`\pIIE@code` This is the same as the definition for `\Gin@PS@restored` in `dvipdf.def` as defined in `drivers.dtx`! Better use the higher-level macro instead of the `\special`?

```

45 %\def\pIIE@code#1{\special{" #1}} % \Gin@PS@restored{#1}
46 </dvipdf >

```

1.7 textures

A pict2e driver file for the textures driver (not yet implemented).

```
\pIIE@mode
47 <*textures>
48 % \def\pIIE@mode{-1}
```

```
\pIIE@code
49 % \def\pIIE@code#1{}
50 </textures>
```

1.8 dvipsone

A pict2e driver file for the dvipsone driver (not yet implemented).

```
\pIIE@mode
51 <*dvipsone>
52 % \def\pIIE@mode{-1}
```

```
\pIIE@code
53 % \def\pIIE@code#1{}
54 </dvipsone>
```

1.9 pctexps

A pict2e driver file for the pctexps driver (not yet implemented).

```
\pIIE@mode
55 <*pctexps>
56 % \def\pIIE@mode{-1}
```

```
\pIIE@code
57 % \def\pIIE@code#1{}
58 </pctexps>
```

1.10 pctex32

A pict2e driver file for the pctex32 driver (not yet implemented).

```
\pIIE@mode
59 <*pctex32>
60 % \def\pIIE@mode{-1}
```

```
\pIIE@code
61 % \def\pIIE@code#1{}
62 </pctex32>
```

2 A Sample Configuration File

This one is taken from `color.cfg` of the `teTeX/TeXlive` distributions.

```
63 <*cfg>
64 %% Select an appropriate default driver.
65 \begingroup
66   \chardef\x=0 %
67   % check pdfTeX
68   \@ifundefined{pdfoutput}{}{%
69     \ifcase\pdfoutput
70     \else
71       \chardef\x=1 %
72     \fi
73   }%
74   % check VTeX
75   \@ifundefined{OpMode}{}{%
76     \chardef\x=2 %
77   }%
78 \expandafter\endgroup
79 \ifcase\x
80   % default case
81   \ExecuteOptions{dvips}%
82 \or
83   % pdfTeX is running in pdf mode
84   \ExecuteOptions{pdftex}%
85 \else
86   % VTeX is running
87   \ExecuteOptions{vtex}%
88 \fi
```

You can also specify other options to the `pict2e` package in the configuration file. For example, if you prefer PSTricks-like arrows, just uncomment the line below.

```
89 %% \ExecuteOptions{pstarrows}
90 </cfg>
```