

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>
```