

BLANK POSTSCRIPT

PURPOSE

Controls whether Postscript output to device 3 contains an initial blank page.

DESCRIPTION

The Postscript driver does a page erase when it is initialized to ensure valid output when diagrammatic graphics are done before the first PLOT command. However, this is a nuisance for device 3 since it initializes the device for each PLOT command (device 3 contains the most recent plot only). This command allows you to toggle the initial page erase on or off (you may want it on if you are doing a lot of diagrammatic graphics). This does not affect the initial blank page for device 2 (set PRE-ERASE OFF before the first plot command to get the same effect). The PP command, documented in the Support chapter, is used to print the device 3 output from within a DATAPLOT session.

SYNTAX

BLANK POSTSCRIPT <ON/OFF>

where OFF suppresses the initial page erase and ON turns it on.

EXAMPLES

```
BLANK POSTSCRIPT ON
BLANK POSTSCRIPT OFF
```

NOTE

This command only applies to device 3 Postscript output.

DEFAULT

The initial page erase is suppressed (i.e., OFF).

SYNONYMS

None

RELATED COMMANDS

PP	=	Print the most recent plot.
POSTSCRIPT	=	Set device 1 to POSTSCRIPT.
DEVICE 3 <manuf>	=	Set the device 3 type.
PRE-ERASE	=	Controls whether or not the PLOT command does an initial page erase.

APPLICATIONS

Printing graphics output

IMPLEMENTATION DATE

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PROGRAM

```
BLANK POSTSCRIPT ON
MOVE 50 50
TEXT ABC
PLOT X FOR X = 1 1 10
PP
BLANK POSTSCRIPT OFF
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