

**NAME**

`mptopdf` – convert MetaPost to PDF

**SYNOPSIS**

`mptopdf` *FILE* [ ... ]

**DESCRIPTION**

`mptopdf` can convert MetaPost-generated EPS files to PDF, or it can process a MetaPost source file directly (see `mpost(1)`) and convert the generated EPS files to PDF.

**OPTIONS**

All switches are specified in full here but can be abbreviated to the shortest unique prefix. Thus, `--metaf` works the same as `--metafun`.

`--help` Print a terse help message.

**--metafun**

Use the metafun pre-compiled format to process the MetaPost source file. You usually don't need this option, since metafun input is usually produced and processed as part of a `texexec(1)` run. Needs the `--rawmp` switch to take effect.

**--rawmp**

Process the source file with `mpost(1)` directly, rather than with `texexec(1)`. This option is needed if you want to specify `--metafun`.

`--latex` Typesetting labels using `latex(1)` rather than plain `tex(1)`.

**USAGE**

To convert *manfig.20* to *manfig-20.pdf*:

```
mptopdf manfig.20
```

You can convert more than one EPS file at once:

```
mptopdf manfig.20 otherfig.17 finalfig.8
```

Or you can give `mptopdf(1)` a pattern that it will expand:

```
mptopdf 'manfig.*'
```

Note the single quotes to protect the `*` from the shell. Of course, usually you can let the shell do the wildcard expansion and therefore leave off the quotes.

To convert *figs.mp* to *figs-1.pdf*, *figs-2.pdf*, ...

```
mptopdf figs.mp
```

If the labels are typeset with `latex(1)`:

```
mptopdf --latex figs.mp
```

**SEE ALSO**

`tex(1)`, `latex(1)`, `mpost(1)`, `pdftex(1)`, `texexec(1)`.

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