NAME
psidtopgm - convert PostScript "image" data into a portable graymap

SYNOPSIS
psidtopgm *width height bits/sample* [*imagedata*]

DESCRIPTION
Reads the "image" data from a PostScript file as input. Produces a portable graymap as output.

This program is obsoleted by **pstopnm**. What follows was written before **pstopnm** existed.

This is a very simple and limited program, and is here only because so many people have asked for it. To use it you have to **manually** extract the readhexstring data portion from your PostScript file, and then give the width, height, and bits/sample on the command line. Before you attempt this, you should **at least** read the description of the "image" operator in the PostScript Language Reference Manual.

It would probably not be too hard to write a script that uses this filter to read a specific variety of PostScript image, but the variation is too great to make a general-purpose reader. Unless, of course, you want to write a full-fledged PostScript interpreter...

SEE ALSO
pnmtops(1), pgm(5)

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