### Name

eqn2graph – convert an eqn equation into a cropped image

# **Synopsis**

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eqn2graph [-format output-format] [convert-argument ...]
eqn2graph --help
eqn2graph --version
```

### **Description**

eqn2graph reads a one-line eqn(1) equation from the standard input and writes an image file, by default in Portable Network Graphics (PNG) format, to the standard output.

The input EQN code should *not* be preceded by the  $\mathbf{EQ}$  macro that normally precedes it within groff(1) macros; nor do you need to have dollar-sign or other delimiters around the equation.

Arguments not recognized by *eqn2graph* are passed to the ImageMagick or GraphicsMagick program *convert*(1). By specifying these, you can give your image a border, set the image's pixel density, or perform other useful transformations.

The output image is clipped using *convert*'s **-trim** option to the smallest possible bounding box that contains all the black pixels.

## **Options**

--help displays a usage message, while -v and --version show version information; all exit afterward.

**-format** *output-format* 

Write the image in *output-format*, which must be understood by *convert*; the default is PNG.

### **Environment**

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GROFF_TMPDIR
TMPDIR
TMP
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TEMP These environment variables are searched in the given order to determine the directory where temporary files will be created. If none are set, /tmp is used.

## Authors

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#### See also

```
pic2graph(1), grap2graph(1), eqn(1), groff(1), convert(1)
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