

**Name**

eqn2graph – convert an *eqn* equation into a cropped image

**Synopsis**

**eqn2graph** [**–format** *output-format*] [*convert-argument* ...]

**eqn2graph --help**

**eqn2graph –v**

**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 **.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**

*GROFF\_TMPDIR*

*TMPDIR*

*TMP*

*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)