

OT: Copying text from a PDF

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Quite often I have trouble extracting text from a PDF. I use the Text tool, copy, but on then pasting into my text editor I get garbage. Each individual character gets a return inserted. Typical example is at <http://www.fairchildsemi.com/ds/BU/BUZ11.pdf>, where I just wanted to extract the details under 'Absolute Maximum Ratings'.

What's the deal here please? If the document is proprietorially protected, wouldn't the Text tool be inaccessible?

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