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I find it helpful (both in IDL and FORTRAN) to think of 2D \*arrays\* as having dimensions defined as (NX,NY), where  
NX is number of elements in the X direction,  
NY is number of elements in the Y direction.

I find this convention to be much easier to understand than (column,row).

\*Matrices\* are a different matter of course.....

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