
Subject: Importing Binary Images

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I'm new to idl, and am trying to import a binary grid that was created on a windows machine into idl on a linux machine. It's least significant byte first, 1561 rows, 2041 cols.

I searched the archives and found a thread that suggested used the following syntax:

```
IDL> openr, 1, 'gom15dd.dat'
IDL> ms = bytarr(1561, 2041)
IDL> readu, 1, ms
IDL> tv, ms
```

While this 'works', the image displayed is incorrect - sort of looks like speckled white noise. Any thoughts on what I may be doing wrong. For a newbie, what's the difference between using readu, and read_binary? The online help didn't help. Thanks.
