
Subject: Re: Lossless JPG Decompression
Posted by [rmw092001](#) on Wed, 30 Oct 2002 02:13:07 GMT
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"Rick Towler" <rtowler@u.washington.edu> wrote in message
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> "David Fanning" <david@dfanning.com> wrote

>> Jaynie Padayachee (jpadayachee@bonbon.net) writes:

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>>> I'm looking for lossless JPG decompression code for IDL.

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>> I think this is called TIFF. :-)

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>> P.S. You might be interested in why JPEG files *can't* be

>> lossless:

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>> <http://www.prepressure.com/techno/compressionjpeg.htm>

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> I think you need to read your reference, David. As stated at the bottom of

> the page, JPEG 2000 offers a lossless compression mode.

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> If Jaynie, you are in fact looking for an implementation of the JPEG 2000

> standard for IDL I think you might be out of luck. But if you are, as David

> assumed, just looking for a lossless image format then you have a few

> options in IDL. TIFF, as David mentioned, is supported in IDL although the

> LZW compression mode was excised in 5.4(?). This can be limiting if you are

> reading in images created in another application (there are workarounds...)

> 24-bit PNG files may work for you too.

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> -Rick

Surely the answer is just READ_JPEG ? :)

(the writer asked for decompression, not compression code)

READ_JPEG will decompress jpeg files in IDL, without losing any

information that is in the file. :)
