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Subject: Re: read/writing tiff files  
Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Sat, 28 Jun 2003 11:28:19 GMT  
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Alexandra Panton wrote:

> ok, this is probably a really simple question but having decided that  
> having 500+ images to process I needed to do some idl programming !  
> What i want to do is really simple - but as with all things and  
> computers simple rapidly progresses to the impossible :)  
>  
> Here's what I want to do:  
> I have a directory on my computer with all my images, - tiff files in,  
> I want to read them into an array - I can do this bit, apply my  
> processing steps (having trouble with that!), then write the output as  
> a tiff or jpg file.  
>  
> I have managed to do this to a fashion but it writes blank files -  
> very useful!  
>  
> my code so far...

Dear Alexandra,

there are a lot of tips available at Davids page  
[www.dfanning.com](http://www.dfanning.com)

Here in short how I would do this:

```
stuff = 'f:\ftp_web_root\Recent\hawaii\GOES_9\all'
file=file_search(stuff,'*.tif',COUNT=n)
for i=0L,n-1 do begin
  result=query_image(file[i],info)
  print,info.dimensions
  help,info,/str
  img=read_image(files[i],red,green,blue)
  img=(330-(0.5*img))
  write_image,'d:\goes\hawaii\changed_'+files[i], 'TIFF',red,green,blue
endfor
```

You should have a look at the info structure of the query function.  
I don't know in which way your images are color coded. I would suggest to  
read the tips on Davids page regarding color problems too.

best regards

Reimar

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a IDL library at ForschungsZentrum Juelich  
[http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl\\_icglib/idl\\_lib\\_intro.html](http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl_icglib/idl_lib_intro.html)

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