
Subject: Re: Unknown data type

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 28 Dec 2004 03:19:25 GMT

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Julio writes:

- > I can read byte or integer images using byte or integer arrays, like:
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- > byte_image=bytarr(samples, rows) or
- > integer_image=intarr(samples, rows)
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- > In both cases I must know the data type. But, when I don't know the
- > data type, how can I do to read the images? Is there some way to
- > verify the file format before reading into an array?

How can you find the New Year's party when you don't know the address? It's a problem. :-(

Cheers,

David

P.S. You could do a small "trial read" and see if the data "made sense" the way you read it. What "makes sense" means is kind of up to you.

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