
Subject: Re: Zipped Files

Posted by [Norbert Hahn](#) on Fri, 15 Dec 2006 13:41:17 GMT

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David Fanning <news@dfanning.com> wrote:

> Folks,

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> Is there any possibility of reading zipped GeoTiff or

> HDF files directly in IDL? I'm a little pressed at the moment, but

> a quick reading of the documentation leads me to think not.

> Can anyone confirm that these files have to be unzipped first

> to read them?

The problem may be worse than you might think. A zipped Tiff file has an uncompressed header, while the data part is zipped. Feeding the whole file into some unzip will not work. However, GeoTiff may be different than ordinary tiff files with zipped data.

Norbert
