
Subject: Re: question: IDL for incorporating text files in hyperspectral band math
Posted by [jeffnetles4870](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 01:44:32 GMT

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On Feb 19, 6:03 pm, jo <jenn...@gmail.com> wrote:

> Hello all,
> I am a masters student working with hyperspectral imagery for benthic
> mapping. I am also a fresh beginner at IDL and have found myself at a
> wall for hyperspectral image processing in ENVI.
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> I am trying to perform a sun glint correction of a water surface in a
> hyperspectral (AISA) image. From the DN value of each visible band in
> each pixel, I must subtract the product of a coefficient (which is
> already calculated), and the DN of a single NIR band.
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> So again, in a single pixel: $DN_{vis} - (coefficient \times DN_{nir})$ for all vis
> bands. Calculate for all pixels.
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> Obviously the vis and NIR DN values are contained within the
> hyperspectral image, but the coefficients are stored in a text file as
> a single column containing one coefficient for each of approx 400
> bands. I know that the ENVI band math can be used for mathematics
> between 2 images of the same spatial and spectral dimension, but the
> issue is the intermediate step: getting ENVI to read the text file and
> apply one coefficient at a time to the NIR image. I need to use IDL
> for this, but have little experience with the script.
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> Could anybody offer some direction on this issue, or maybe somebody
> has already written a simple script that they wouldn't mind sharing
> for applying a text file to an image?
>
> Thank-you in advance for your time!
> Jenn

I've tried to read in a text file in band math myself, and was equally disappointed by the mess that results. At any rate, i have a few questions for you:

1. Do you need to do this programmatically or could you use band/spectral math if you could get it to work? I ask b/c:
2. It sounds like you have sort of a "spectrum of coefficients" - you mention a single column in a text file for each band. That sounds to me like you have one coefficient for each wavelength. If that's true, couldn't you read your coefficients into a spectral library?

If you can turn your coefficients into a spectral library i think you can do this with a combo of spectral math and band math.

The spectral math equation would be $s1*s2$ where $s1$ is your coefficients "spectrum" and $s2$ is DN_{nir} . Make sure you use the "map variable to input file" option for $s2$. This'll give you an output image cube.

Next you want to do band math: $b1 - b2$ where $b1 = DN_{vis}$ and $b2$ is the output of spectral math above. I think that'll get you what you want if I understand your problem correctly.

Hope that helps,
Jeff
