
Subject: Re: 16 bit Tiff image

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On Feb 28, 5:01 pm, Stefano Scardigli <s.scardi...@libero.it> wrote:

> On Wed, 27 Feb 2008 16:12:24 -0700, David Fanning wrote:

>> Stefano Scardigli writes:

>

>>> better, thanks:

>

>>> IDL> img=read_tiff("V13A5.00.tif",/unsigned)

>>> IDL> help,img

>>> IMG LONG = Array[1000, 1000]

>>> IDL> print,max(img)

>>> 65535

>>> IDL> write_tiff,"prova.tiff",fix(img),/SHORT <-----

>>> IDL> help,img

>>> IMG LONG = Array[1000, 1000]

>>> IDL> print,max(img)

>>> 65535

>>> IDL> img2=read_tiff("prova.tiff",/unsigned)

>>> IDL> help,img2

>>> IMG2 LONG = Array[1000, 1000]

>>> IDL> print,max(img2)

>>> 255

>

>>> and now both img and img2 are LONG, but the reloaded img2 is still shrunk

>>> to 255 levels (ie 8 bit)!

>

>> I still don't think so. Are you being *very*

>> careful with your variables? You might try using

>> a .reset after you write the file and before you

>> read it again. I think it is not possible to get

>> what you are getting. :-)

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>> Cheers,

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>> David

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> I'm very careful with my variables, and all the "code" I'm using is just

> this:

>

> img=read_tiff("V13A5.00.tif",/unsigned)

> help,img

> print,max(img)

> write_tiff,"prova.tiff",fix(img),/LONG

> help,img

> print,max(img)

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> img2=read_tiff("prova.tiff",/unsigned)
> help,img2
> print,max(img2)
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My IDL5.3 manuals say that /UNSIGNED is used to read in unsigned 16-bit integer data and convert it to unsigned 32-bit longword arrays. That keyword was obsolete by IDL 5.3.

Are you quite sure of the format of the data in your TIFF file? Have you tried QUERY_TIFF and inspected the resultant information structure?

Perhaps you could post the TIFF file somewhere for us to investigate?

Cheers,

Andrew
