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Subject: Re: WCS Coordinates not kept with WRITEFITS

Posted by [Laurence](#) on Tue, 15 Dec 2009 19:02:02 GMT

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On Dec 10, 3:30 pm, Bringfried Stecklum <steck...@tls-tautenburg.de> wrote:

> Laurence wrote:

>> Hi,

>> I am writing because I have a problem while creating new fits files

>> and I could not find any similar topic on the web.

>> Basically, I simply cut a small region from a larger fit file and save

>> it with writefits .

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>> im1=readfits('pp.fit',hdr)

>> temp1='p.fit'

>> imnew1=fltarr(2000,2000)

>> imnew1=im1(3303:3512,3095:3293)

>> writefits,temp1,imnew1,hdr

>

>> But in the newly created .fit file, the coordinates are off and then

>> wrong !

>> Is there a way to solve this ? (I have idl\_6.0 )

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>> Thanks,

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> Of course, since the header needs to be updated as well to account for the size

> and WCS change. The routine hextract from the IDL Astro Lib does the job of

> extracting FITS subimages, see

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> <http://idlastro.gsfc.nasa.gov/ftp/pro/astrom/hextract.pro>

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> Regards,

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> Bringfried

Thanks! In the meanwhile I used IRAF which works very well .

Laurence

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