
Subject: Re: Associating GeoTIFF tags with basic Mercator projection parameters?
Posted by [BLesht](#) on Wed, 05 Jan 2011 03:38:09 GMT

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Just to close this thread with something that may be of use to anyone who has a similar problem, David's suggestion of following the steps described in his article

http://www.dfanning.com/map_tips/goesmap.html

was right on.

Because I already had a projected image, I skipped the warping part and started with using MAP_PROJ_INIT to set up the projection. I used the GCTP version of the Mercator projection and specified the equator as the TRUE_SCALE_LATITUDE. Because my files were based on a subset of the original map, I used the subset geographic boundaries to define the LIMIT vector in the MAP_PROJ_INIT and in the MAP_PROJ_FORWARD procedure. The resulting GeoTIFF files have the correct map information.

```
MercMap = MAP_PROJ_INIT(105, /GCTP, $ ; Mercator
                     ELLIPSOID = 8, $ ; WGS84
                     LIMIT = [lr_lat, lr_lon, ul_lat, ul_lon], $ ; Corners
should be enough
                     CENTER_LONGITUDE = center_lon, $
                     TRUE_SCALE_LATITUDE = 0.0)
```

```
uv = MAP_PROJ_FORWARD([left_lon, top_lon, right_lon, bottom_lon], $
                     [left_lat, top_lat, right_lat, bottom_lat], $
                     MAP_STRUCTURE=MercMap)
```

```
xscale = ABS(uv[0,0] - uv[0,2])/(s[0])
```

```
yscale = ABS(uv[1,1] - uv[1,3])/(s[1])
```

```
tp = [uv[0,0], uv[1,1]]
```

```
;
```

```
g_tags = { $
```

```
    ModelPixelScaleTag: [xscale, yscale, 0], $
```

```
    ModelTiepointTag: [0, 0, 0, tp, 0], $
```

```
    GTModeTypeGeoKey: 1, $ ; Geographic
```

```
    GTRasterTypeGeoKey: 1, $ ; Pixel represents
```

```
area
```

```
    GeographicTypeGeoKey: 4326, $ ; WGS84
```

```
    GeogLinearUnitsGeoKey: 9001, $ ; meters
```

```
    GeogAngularUnitsGeoKey: 9102, $ ; angular degree
```

```
    ProjectedCSTypeGeoKey: 32767, $ ;
```

```
    ProjectionGeoKey: 32767, $ ;
```

```
    ProjCoordTransGeoKey: 7, $ ; Mercator
```

```
ProjLinearUnitsGeoKey: 9001,    $ ;  
ProjNatOriginLongGeoKey: center_lon $  
ProjNatOriginLatGeoKey: 0.0,    $  
ProjFalseNorthingGeoKey: 0,     $  
ProjFalseEastingGeoKey: 0,      $  
ProjScaleAtNatOriginGeoKey: 1.  $  
}
```

Thanks again, David.

On Jan 4, 11:42 am, Barry Lesht <ble...@gmail.com> wrote:

> Thanks, David. I tried that early on, but went to the angular measure
> (adding the GeogAngularUnitsGeoKey) for some reason (maybe I saw a
> different example somewhere). I'll give it another go. By the way,
> have nice recollections of IDL course you taught way back "in the
> day." Still telling "Coyote stories?" Barry
