
Subject: TIFF header

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Hello:

When I save a tiff file as follows:

```
tiff_write, 'filename.tif', 2D-byte-array
```

The tiff file is 198 bytes bigger than the "raw" image part, so I assumed the header is 198 bytes at the beginning of the file. Is this assumption incorrect? I'm writing a program which skips the IDL tiff header and reads in the image part only, so I want to know exactly how many bytes to skip and where. I looked at tiff_write.pro but I couldn't get much out of it.

The specific questions I'm asking is:

Is the header 198 bytes for the above case?

Is the header at the beginning of the file?

Is the whole header located in consecutive bytes at one place in the file (I understand that tiff headers can be broken up at different parts of the file)?

Any comments would be greatly appreciated.

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