

Subject: Re: Question/Bug on Transpose
Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Wed, 22 Aug 2001 23:06:45 GMT
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Joe Means <joe.means@orst.edu> writes:

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This is truly annoying and I think it is a bug.

A simple workaround is to use a FOR loop and copy each plane of your cube one at a time. It's not luxurious but it will work:

```
inptr = ptrarr(nx, ny, nz)
outptr = ptrarr(ny, nx, nz)
for i = 0, nx-1 do outptr(*,i,*) = inptr(i,*,*)
```

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I think TRANSPOSE only works with basic types. I tried your examples with structures and null objects with the same results. Strangely when transposing a 2D array without the order vector it does the job. With the vector we have the same error. It has the same time a bug's aspect and a limitation's one too. In www.rsinc.com I haven't found any info.

P.S.: My system is also IDL 5.4/Win2kPro

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> ;The problem does not occur with a 2-D pointer array:  
> testptr2d = ptrarr(2,3)  
> bbb = Transpose(testptr2d)  
> I run IDL 5.4 on Win2000Pro. I'd like workaround suggestions!  
>  
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Subject: Re: Question/Bug on Transpose
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On 22 Aug 2001 18:06:45 -0500, Craig Markwardt
<craigmnet@cow.physics.wisc.edu> wrote:

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or just perform the transpose on a simple index array and then subscript
your pointer array with that

```
nx = 2 & ny = 3 & nz = 4  
testptr = ptrarr(nx, ny, nz)  
outptr = testptr[transpose(indgen(nx,ny,nz))]  
help, outptr
```

```
IDL> <Expression>  POINTER  = Array[4, 3, 2]
```

you can then fidget with the transpose command to get the correct output
array dimensions
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