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Subject: Re: Changing the order of true color images  
Posted by [Liam E. Gumley](#) on Mon, 14 Jan 2002 15:22:19 GMT  
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ronn kling wrote:

> I am reading in a (very large) pixel interleaved (3,m,n) true color image  
> with a C routine. I need to be able to do the equivalent of changing the  
> order of the image and I was wondering if anyone has some C code that does  
> this?

Have you tried the TRANSPOSE function?

For example, to change the dimensions from (3, m, n) to (m, n, 3):

```
a = transpose(temporary(a), [1, 2, 0])
```

Cheers,  
Liam.  
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Posted by [ronn](#) on Mon, 14 Jan 2002 22:25:22 GMT  
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I know it is just loops and such, but I was hoping that someone had already solved it.

Thanks,  
Ronn

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Subject: Re: Changing the order of true color images

Posted by [Martin Downing](#) on Tue, 15 Jan 2002 10:01:10 GMT

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Hi Ronn,

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`sx = dim_x*3`

excuse any syntax errors as I'm writing this on the fly and am a little rusty on my C code :), but I'd hope anyone using C could correct it!

ps: `Byte == unsigned char`

```
void flipY(Byte *image, int sx, int sy) // image block , x_size, y_size
```

```
{
```

```
int i,j, hy;
```

```
Byte tmp; // temp storage for
```

```
hy = sy/2; // halfway through the image
```

```
for (j = 0;j <hy;j++) {
```

```
    for (i = 0;i <sx;i++) {
```

```
        // SWAP PIXELS [i,j] <=> [i,sy-j]
```

```
        tmp = image[i+sx*j];
```

```
        image[i+sx*j]= image[i+sx*(sy-j)];
```

```
        image[i+sx*(sy-j)] = tmp;
```

```
    } // END FOR I
```

```
}// END FOR J
```

```
} // END FUNCTION
```

```
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```

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"ronn kling" <ronn@rlkling.com> wrote in message  
news:B868C3C9.409F%ronn@rlkling.com...

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Subject: Re: Changing the order of true color images

Posted by [ronn](#) on Wed, 16 Jan 2002 13:17:58 GMT

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in article Z4T08.21077\$WQ1.3331811@news6-win.server.ntlworld.com, Martin  
Downing at martin.downing@ntlworld.com wrote on 1/15/02 5:01 AM:

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In the interest of completeness here is the completed C example based on  
Martin's suggestion.

```
/*{{{:{:|{:|{:|{:|{:|{:|{:|{:|{:|{:|{:|{:|{:|{:|{:|{:|*}

void flipY( char * image, int ndims, int sx, int sy)
{
  int hy,i,j;
  char tmp;

  hy = sy/2;
  if( ndims == 3) sx = sx*ndims;

  for (j=0;j<hy;j++) {
    for( i=0; i<sx; i++){
      tmp = image[i+sx*j];
      image[i+sx*j] = image[sx*(sy-j-1)+i];
      image[sx*(sy-j-1)+i] = tmp;
    }
  }
}

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-Ronn

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Subject: Re: Changing the order of true color images  
Posted by [Alex Schuster](#) on Mon, 28 Jan 2002 13:55:25 GMT  
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Just a note: `a = transpose( a, [1, 2, 0] )` is the same, the `temporary()` function does not save memory when used inside a function.

```
IDL> a=findgen(1000,1000,10)  
IDL> help, /mem  
heap memory used: 40206937, max: 40206965, gets: 237,  
frees: 96  
IDL> a=transpose(temporary(a), [ 1,2,0])  
IDL> help, /mem  
heap memory used: 40207016, max: 80207156, gets: 242,  
frees: 99
```

```
IDL> a=findgen(1000,1000,10)  
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heap memory used: 40206821, max: 40206849, gets: 231,  
frees: 93  
IDL> a=transpose(a, [ 1, 2, 0] )  
IDL> help, /mem  
heap memory used: 40206892, max: 80207040, gets: 236,  
frees: 96
```

Alex

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