Subject: Re: read/write standard envi
Posted by Vincent Schut on Tue, 05 Mar 2002 11:27:54 GMT
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BTW, also without envi it is quite simple to read/write a standard envi
file. A very short explanation:
First open the belonging header file, this contains information about
the # of bands, samples, lines, data format and storage format. Storage
format can be bsq, bil or bip, which mean data is stored band after band
(bsq), byte interleaved by line (bil: line1 band1, line1 band2, l1b3,
l2b1, etc) or bip: byte interleaved by pixel: p1b1, p1b2, p1b3, p2b1,
etc. The header file is in human readable text format.
 From the data type you can calculate how many bytes each pixel takes,
e.g. is the data type integer, each pixel is 2 bytes.
Then you can just open and read the file. It is not compressed, just
read the values pixel after pixel.
You can check your calculation by checking if #samples * #lines * #bands
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Using the appropriate envi-routine is much easier, though.

For more info, if you have an envi manual, read the programmers section.
Otherwise, ask more questions if you don't succeed.

good luck!

Vincent.

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Posted by Klaus Scipal on Tue, 05 Mar 2002 13:37:08 GMT
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T'x for your assistemce, indeed it was easier than expected

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