
Subject: Re: reading 12 bit data
Posted by [Rick Towler](#) on Wed, 30 Oct 2002 01:13:14 GMT
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Check out `extract_oddword.pro` which is available on RSI's user contrib library webpage under the utilities section.

<http://www.rsinc.com/codebank/search.asp?search=category&product=IDL&catid=29>

If it doesn't do the trick it should at least get you started.

-Rick

"Thomas S. Spisz" <thomas.spisz@jhuapl.edu> wrote

>
> have you ever tried to read 12 bit data in IDL? I have always avoided
> this situation, telling people to save 12 bit data as a 16 bit int.
> Unfortunately, I am in a situation now where I have to read 12 bit data
> fields. I know I can probably brute force it by reading byte by byte,
> and then doing some math. I just don't want to go there if I don't have
> to. If you happen to have written something to read 12 bit data fields,
> I would greatly appreciate it.
> thanks,
> --tom spisz
