
Subject: Display ENVI image
Posted by [kini](#) on Sat, 28 Feb 2004 01:13:56 GMT
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Dear IDL fans,

Could any of you tell me how to display an ENVI image using IDL statements *ONLY*? I have pasted a sample header of one of my images and few pixel values below. Thanks,

Kind regards, Ananth Kini

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 B2:Resize (IDL Var (GRID2USE): Band 1:dem05):dem05_ne [Tue Aug 27
10:50:33
 2002]]
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bands = 1
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data type = 4
interleave = bsq
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byte order = 0
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0.50000000, 19, North, North America 1983, units=Meters}
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A few lines of the Image in txt format :  
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260.41030637679 258.54610420775 257.90058375188 257.86756287792
258.29545975217 259.41236266759 261.56417656466 263.58179186559

263.33916031169 263.09019177755
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265.19163257385 262.22613299831 258.91229835752 255.55892418477
252.94160340385 254.03868960702
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256.36905739234 258.00587806741 258.80451711212 258.83204686007
259.62626934708 259.64372058468
259.56695221087 259.3228828278 258.35937899198 257.47955782462
258.96730710575 263.01956245718 265.86809588025 265.95783568628
265.75716787989 265.44317921053
265.05762098573 264.50929943098 263.87448811865 263.35316143086
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263.44196014284 263.34972913849
263.02686019665 263.28217655852 264.3562350276 265.2905361274
264.89379815572 264.85981680883 264.42978038595 262.49355841246
255.33281508398 255.24348004426
259.80155101039 263.59021511065 264.88504292792 261.99941874996
258.93081809645 264.37490167826 265.20596200951 263.80464630402
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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Sat, 28 Feb 2004 15:26:52 GMT

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Cheers,

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Posted by [kini](#) on Mon, 01 Mar 2004 22:10:39 GMT
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IDL> XStretch, image

You can find XStretch here:

<http://www.dfanning.com/programs/xstretch.com>

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and tell him the guys on the IDL newsgroup said to spend
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Posted by [Kenneth P. Bowman](#) on Tue, 02 Mar 2004 01:10:50 GMT

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Ken (temporarily at NCAR) Bowman

Subject: Re: Display ENVI image

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 02 Mar 2004 02:30:38 GMT

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Subject: Re: Display ENVI image
Posted by [kini](#) on Wed, 03 Mar 2004 00:49:07 GMT
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Dear Dr. Fanning,

Fabulous ! TVSCL did the trick. You are right, I am a novice at IDL (got into IDL programming just 2 months ago). I am a computer science student, but co-incidentally, do not know much about image processing. Just helping a professor prop up a raw application into a user-friendly one, using widget programming etc.

I must also thank you for your progress bar utility, which was incorporated just today. Would you be totally unavailable through summer 2004 ?

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You line up a couple of tough tennis matches (preferably

with the over 50 crowd), and I'll be there. :-)

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Dear Jeff,

Thank you for the input. That was a very good point you brought out. Since I was aware of that aspect, we used to rotate the ENVI image. However, your solution looks compact.

Kind regards, Ananth Kini.

jnettle1@utk.edu (Jeff) wrote in message

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