
Subject: Re: Image structure

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Sat, 27 Mar 2004 05:45:57 GMT

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Posted by [julio](#) on Sat, 27 Mar 2004 16:21:36 GMT

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Hi Dr Fanning, thanks for answering...

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Thanks in advance!

Regards,
Julio

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```

Now, band1 contains all zeros. (Or whatever value you
 assign it that makes sense to you.)

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 be available, you have to be more inventive. How about
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```
image = IntArr(400,500,5)
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  image[:,*,0] = band1
  good[0] = 1
ENDIF
...
IF N_Elements(band5) NE 0 THEN BEGIN
  image[:,*,4] = band5
  good[4] = 1
ENDIF
```

```
bands_exist = Where(good GT 0, count)
IF count GT 0 THEN image = image[:,*,bands_exist] ELSE $
Print, "No bands available"
```

Now image is a 400 by 500 by however-many-bands-actually-exist array.

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Posted by [julio](#) on Mon, 29 Mar 2004 17:21:03 GMT

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Ok David, I'll try it. Thanks for the answer!

Julio

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