
Subject: Re: read gif files in IDL

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In article <38m7c8\$mpn@sol.ctr.columbia.edu>, qww@cuphy3.columbia.edu (Qiuwen Wu) writes:

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Using an AXP, OVMS 1.5 and IDL 3.6, READ_GIF works fine for me when reading GIF89a files with the command:

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IDL> read_gif,'gdn1:[images.gif]triton.gif',image,r,g,b
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where triton.gif is a GIF89a file, (verified using DUMP). Have you tried imaging the file using XV or some other utility?

-Greg

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Hi - yup - I have the same problem with IDL 3.6. IDL writes 87a format too.

In general I found IDL on the alpha pretty bad (one of the few things though!!).

Sorry to be the confirmer of bad news!!

Rob
