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Subject: Re: bad column in image

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 03 Jun 2009 02:08:45 GMT

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> number I put in, i.e. array=[1440,\*], and then set those values to the  
> mean, it will only change the row on the top of the image. I'm  
> probably missing something very simple or doing something very stupid.

You're probably right. But it's very difficult to tell  
unless we see a few clues. :-)

Cheers,

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Subject: Re: bad column in image  
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 03 Jun 2009 16:11:24 GMT  
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Posted by [Jean H.](#) on Wed, 03 Jun 2009 16:48:52 GMT  
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Amanda, pay close attention to the meaning of the index returned by the where function. In this call, you will have the index where the value is gt 1000 in your column of interest. arr[1440,\*] is a 1D array. Then, with these index, you are applying them to arr, which is a 2D array. Therefore, you end up writing the mean value to the first LINE of your array...

Jean

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Subject: Re: bad column in image  
Posted by [Amanda](#) on Fri, 05 Jun 2009 19:22:06 GMT  
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Ok, the interpolation sounds like a much better idea, but is "interpol" only for vectors? I tried using it with mine and only got a synthax error. I know there's also an "interpolation" function, but I have no idea how to use it.

Amanda

On Jun 3, 5:11 pm, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:

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