Subject: How to find the pixel position Posted by sid on Tue, 27 Apr 2010 05:16:56 GMT

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Timm

Subject: Re: How to find the pixel position Posted by d.poreh on Thu, 29 Apr 2010 10:22:08 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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Or fix(myval*100) then search for data with where(...)
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on top of what the other have said, b should not be equal to 5. It should be equal to 5 * dim_X + 5
So if your image is 100*100, the index of position 5;5 is 505

Jean

Subject: Re: How to find the pixel position Posted by Aram Panasenco on Thu, 29 Apr 2010 18:42:09 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Chris wrote:

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> chris

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In IDL, it is _usually_ a bad idea to pass a variable that you don't want modified into a routine, because it is so easy for the routine to change it. Now, array_indices() does not do that for a fact, but for me personally it's just a matter of consistency.

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http://www.dfanning.com/code_tips/comparearray.html

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