
Subject: Re: Map to data coordinate conversion

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Thu, 18 Apr 2013 14:40:03 GMT

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Cheers,

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Posted by chris_torrence@NOSPAM on Thu, 18 Apr 2013 15:12:16 GMT

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Subject: Re: Map to data coordinate conversion
Posted by [PMan](#) on Thu, 18 Apr 2013 15:15:18 GMT
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Thanks for the reply - I can calculate the positions
(with the spatial reference from the geotiff tags):

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xf = (lon - spatialref.tie_point_map[0])/(spatialref.pixel_size[0])
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yf = (spatialref.tie_point_map[1] - lat)/(spatialref.pixel_size[1])
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which works. But I felt there was probably some IDL functionality somewhere I was missing - I hate that feeling. :)

Regards

Subject: Re: Map to data coordinate conversion
Posted by [Fabzi](#) on Thu, 18 Apr 2013 15:20:40 GMT
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Posted by [PMan](#) on Thu, 18 Apr 2013 15:27:57 GMT

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Great - that's what I am thinking of.

I am encountering a problem with image() though - my geotiff won't load with correctly. I get this error:

IMAGE: Unable to invoke method on NULL object reference: <OBJREF (<NullObject>)>.

This same image works just fine with the ENVI API - perhaps there is some deficiency in my geotiff values.

Subject: Re: Map to data coordinate conversion

Posted by [chris_torrence@NOSPAM](#) on Fri, 19 Apr 2013 23:06:38 GMT

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Hi Fabien & Paul,

The IDL "query_tiff" routine has had a geotiff keyword for a long time. It just returns a structure of key/value pairs. The Image() routine has also supported GeoTIFF images since IDL 8.0.

Paul, is there some way I can get to your geotiff image, so I can try it out? Also, which exact

version of IDL are you using?

Finally, if you can't send the image, could you try calling Image with the /DEBUG keyword, to get the stack trace where the error occurs?

-Chris
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Something like this has been available with cgImage for quite some time, too.

```
IDL> file = 'AF03sep15b.n16-Vlg.tif'
IDL> cgImage, Filename=file, MapCoord=map
IDL> Help, map
MAP OBJREF = <ObjHeapVar11(CGMAP)>
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