
Subject: convert byte array [48,1221] to float
Posted by [neb59](#) on Tue, 18 Jun 2013 20:50:12 GMT
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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 18 Jun 2013 20:57:32 GMT
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Cheers,

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Posted by [neb59](#) on Wed, 19 Jun 2013 01:37:11 GMT
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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 19 Jun 2013 02:33:48 GMT
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Oh, I see. Try this, then:

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