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Posted by [Ferdinando iavarone](#) **on** Sat, 06 Jun 1998 07:00:00 GMT
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best regards,
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Subject: Re: UTM to LatLon conversion in libraries?
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In article <3578F459.C11E6BCF@axpba0.ba.infn.it>,
<iavarone@axpba0.ba.infn.it> wrote:
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I have a PVWAVE function that does goes from Lambert Conformal Conic to LL and it works in IDL. It was easy enough to write since UTM is more straight forward than LCC you should have a better time. It's hamfisted but it gets the job done.

There are good sites our there esp at
ftp://mapping.usgs.gov/pub/software/current_software/gctpc/ and

<http://astsun.astro.virginia.edu/~eww6n/math/MapProjection.h.html>

that can help with the UTM conversions

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;;
; Georeferencing data
;
; World Meteorological Organization Grid #212 (Lam Conf Con)
;
pi4 = !dpi / 4.0;
radius = 6371000.0;
;
dy = 40.63525*1000.;
dx = 40.63525*1000.;
;
centlat = 35.0000 * !dpi / 180.00;
centlon = -95.0000 * !dpi / 180.00;
centralx = 105-1
centraly = 49-1
;
reflat1 = 25.0000 * !dpi / 180.00;
reflat2 = 25.0000 * !dpi / 180.00;
;
ycorner = -(centraly)*dy;
xcorner = -(centralx)*dx;
;
eastings = xcorner + dindgen(nx)*dx
northings = ycorner + dindgen(ny)*dy
;
latitude = dblarr(nx,ny)
longitude = dblarr(nx,ny)
;
; Projection Specific Area Begins
;
; [UTM Conversion info goes here]
;
Projection Specific Area Ends
;
centlat = centlat / !dpi * 180.00;
centlon = centlon / !dpi * 180.00;
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;  
reflat1 = reflat1 / !dpi * 180.00;  
reflat2 = reflat2 / !dpi * 180.00;  
;  
print, 'Grid 212 Addresses' print, ' LLC:  
' ,latitude(0,0), longitude(0,0), $  
      northings(0),      eastings(0)  
print, ' ULC: ',latitude(0,ny-1), longitude(0,ny-1), $  
      northings(ny-1),   eastings(0)  
print, ' URC: ',latitude(nx-1,ny-1),longitude(nx-1,ny-1), $  
      northings(ny-1),eastings(nx-1)  
print, ' LRC: ',latitude(nx-1,0),  longitude(nx-1,0), $  
      northings(0),      eastings(nx-1)  
print, ''  
print, ' CPt: ',latitude(centralx,centrally),           $  
      longitude(centralx,centrally),           $  
      northings(centrally), eastings(centralx)  
;  
.....
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