
Subject: Using map projections to display images
Posted by [seanr](#) on Mon, 24 Aug 1998 07:00:00 GMT
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I'm trying to take digital air photo data with a known ground sample distance resolution and a single georeference point (taken from a GPS receiver) and display it in an arbitrary map projection. I have looked at the documentation for MAP_SET, MAP_IMAGE, and MAP_PATCH. Using the example provided in the documentation of MAP_PATCH, I have managed to get the image to come up in the right projection, but I am unsure how to keep the resolution of the image the same.

Does anyone have a good example to display an image warped to an arbitrary map projection? (perfered projection would be transverse mercator)

Thanks in advance for any replys,

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Subject: Re: Using map projections to display images
Posted by [Paul van Delst](#) on Fri, 28 Aug 1998 07:00:00 GMT
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I notice that Liam Gumley has already replied to this question and it's probably a bit incestuous (Liam works just down the hall) but I have to recommend his IMAGEMAP.PRO (<http://cimss.ssec.wisc.edu/~gumley/imagemap.html>) procedure. For me, and others here at CIMSS, it has made displaying satellite imagery in any projection a no-brainer. He has also made changes recently to overlay multiple images also so you can display more than one orbit of satellite data without stringing all the input data into one huge array and then displaying that (although I don't think that version is available on his webpage yet).

That's all.

paulv

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```
image = bytarr(188,124)
openu, lun,'image.dat', /get_lun
readu,lun, IMAGE
close, lun
free_lun, lun
window, 0, xsize =188, ysize =124
TV, IMAGE ;Display the image so we can see what it looks like before warping.

pi = 3.1415925 LL_rad = 1.268 * 2.D * !pi / 360.D degfix = 1.0 /
double(cos(LL_rad)) ; Earth radius = 6378.17km ==> 111.32km/degree ; of
longitude at the equator, or 0.0089 deg/km ; xdegpkm = .00899D * degfix ;
fix size of longitudinal mile based on ; ydegpkm = .00899D ; cosine of
latitude x_mpdeg = double(111320.0 * degfix) y_mpdeg = double(111320.0)

;(image is approx .25 meters per pixel)
Minlon = double(-71.829 - ((94.0 *.25)/x_mpdeg)) ;71.829 lon W for center
pixel
Maxlon = double(-71.829 + ((94.0 *.25)/x_mpdeg))
Minlat = double(1.268 - ((62.0 *.25) / y_mpdeg)) ;1.268 lat N for center
pixel
Maxlat = double(1.268 + ((62.0 *.25) / y_mpdeg))
limit1 = [minlat, minlon, maxlat, maxlon]
loncenter = double(-71.829)
window, 1, xsize =188, ysize =124
MAP_SET, 0, loncenter, 0, /TRANSVERSE, limit=limit1, /noborder, xmargin=[0,0],
ymargin=[0,0]

result=MAP_IMAGE(image,startx,starty,xsize,ysize,$
    latmin=limit1(0),latmax=limit1(2),$
    lonmin=limit1(1),lonmax=limit1(3),$
    compress=1)

tv,result,0,0 ;Display the warped image on the map at the proper position.
```

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Subject: Re: Using map projections to display images
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David Fanning wrote:

- > Can you imagine sitting on the deck writing IDL programs
- > with Glacier National Park looming up behind you.

Yes.

Subject: Re: Using map projections to display images
Posted by [Erard](#) on Wed, 02 Sep 1998 07:00:00 GMT
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In article <6s6l44\$mf1\$1@nnrp1.dejanews.com>, seanr@possys.com wrote:

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I'm not sure the following answers your problem, but here is a small procedure to simplify superpositions of images and maps. It works correctly for Mercator and cylindrical projection with Map_set 1.33 (shipped with IDL 4), and handles PS output correctly. Just forget the prep_map function, it just corrects a personal problem I had with map_set.

```
pro TVmap, image, _extra=pipo, Ps=ps, grid=grid, label=label,
position=position,$
limit=limit

; =====

; Superimpose a map to an image.
;

; Les limitse sont souvent d'i½cali½es d'1 pixel, probli½me d'arrondi
; (d'i½pend du systi½me)...

; =====

; Il faut intercepter les mots-clefs i½ tester, et ils ne sont alors plus
dans _extra
if keyword_set(position) then begin
  message, /continue, 'Keyword POSITION no allowed (automatic)'
  return
endif
if n_elements(grid) eq 0 then grid=1 ; default is ON
if n_elements(label) eq 0 then label=1

; Limit is adjusted if provided as a 4-elt vector.
; Otherwise, map_set defaults are used
If n_elements(limit) eq 4 then begin prep_map, latcent, longcent, limit,
_extra=pipo
      endif else latcent=(longcent=(limit=0))

sz=size(image)
Xscreen=sz(1) + 40. ; d'i½calages pour mise en page
Yscreen=sz(2) + 80.

!P.font=-1
```

```

th=1
if keyword_set(ps) then begin
  OldDevice = !D.name
  set_plot,'ps'
  !P.font=0
; coefPS=!D.x_px_cm/40. ;image i½ la m½me taille que sur l'i½cran
coefPS=min([!D.X_vsize/Xscreen,!D.Y_vsize/Yscreen]) ;image sur toute la feuille
addPS=0.
device,filename='TVmap.ps',/color,bits=8,/landscape,/Bold
th=2
endif else begin
  window, /free, xsize=Xscreen, ysize=Yscreen
  coefPS=1.
  addPS=1.
endelse

```

```

px0 = 20.      ; small shift for page layout
py0 = 20.
;print, sz, coefPS, !D.x_vsize,!D.y_vsize

```

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; Back to normal coordinates for Map_set
; adjust for odd and even dimensions (frame is always supposed to be
inside image)
qx=[px0,px0+sz(1)-(sz(1) mod 2)]*coefPS/(!D.X_vsize+addPS)
qy=[py0,py0+sz(2)-(sz(2) mod 2)]*coefPS/(!D.Y_vsize+addPS)

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```

tv, image, px0*coefPS,py0*coefPS,xsize=sz(1)*coefPS, ysize=sz(2)*coefPS

```

```

;print, qx, qy
del=(qx(1)-qx(0))*0.01 ; Compensate a small dilatation of limits
qx(0)=qx(0)-del ; performed in MAP_SET with a similar dilatation
qx(1)=qx(1)+del ; of the plotting area.
del=(qy(1)-qy(0))*0.01
qy(0)=qy(0)-del
qy(1)=qy(1)+del

```

```

print, latcent, longcent
print, limit

```

```

map_set,latcent, longcent ,grid=grid, limit=limit,/noerase, label=label,$
londel=30.,latdel=30.,position=[qx(0),qy(0),qx(1),qy(1)],$
glinethick=th, _extra=pipo

```

```

; Ici, il faut tester la condition de sortie de Map_set et continuer en cas

```

d'erreur

```
!P.font=-1  
if keyword_set(ps) then begin  
  device,/close  
  Set_Plot, OldDevice  
endif
```

end

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