

# How to read PDS data

some simple examples

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# Step-by-step procedure 1

```
IDL> openr,1,'CM_***.QUB'
```

In the header,

```
> RECORD SIZE = 512 bytes
```

```
> QUBE = 82
```

Then, qube core starts from 82<sup>th</sup> line.

You need to read a block of (512,81) first.

```
IDL> recblock=bytarr(512,81)
```

```
IDL> readu,1,recblock
```

## Step-by-step procedure 2

Qube core and suffix are described as:

- > **CORE\_ITEMS = (60,54,256)**
- > **SUFFIX\_ITEMS=(0,0,8)**
- > **CORE\_ITEM\_TYPE= SUN\_REAL**  
(data type, byteorder info.)

Then, read a block of  $(60+0, 54+0, 256+8)=(60,54,264)$

```
IDL> qube_and_suffix=fltarr(60,54,264)
```

```
IDL> readu,1,qube_and_suffix
```

```
IDL> close,1
```

## Step-by-step procedure 3

After reading data block, change byteorder.

'byteorder' options depend on 'CORE\_ITEM\_TYPE.'

Try different options until you get a right result !

```
IDL> byteorder, qube_and_suffix,/xdrtof
```

Then, separate core and suffix

```
IDL> qube=qube_and_suffix(*,*,0:255)
```

```
IDL> suffix=qube_and_suffix(*,*,256:263)
```

Here, suffix contains positional info.

```
> BAND_SUFFIX_NAME = (LATITUDE, LONGITUDE,.....)
```

## Step-by-step procedure 4

Now, you can display images at any wavelength.

Let's try band 0 (= 0.884 micron)

```
IDL> bandindex=0
```

```
IDL> img=reform(qube(*,*,bandindex))
```

```
IDL> window,0,xsize=60,ysize=54
```

```
IDL> tvscl, img > 0. < 1.
```

Or, you can plot a spectrum of any pixel.

```
IDL> plot,qube(30,27,*),yrange=[0,1],/xstyle
```

**Have fun !!**