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Subject: Re: How can I integrate? (easy question?)  
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In article <1991Mar20.233728.1@csc.anu.edu.au> bdb112@csc.anu.edu.au writes:  
> How can I efficiently do a running sum of a vector (integrate)? The explicitly  
> coded version (IDL v2)  
> for i=1,n-1 x(i)=x(i) + x(i-1) achieves the desired effect, but takes (VS3100)  
> 1 second for a 2000 element array compared to .01 sec for z=x+x, a similar  
> number of operations. This is such an obvious thing to do that I must be  
> missing something obvious - I can't find it in the userlib either (just  
> deriv).

Assuming "i" represents the current array index value upto which you want to  
sum the elements of the array "x", try:

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sum_x = total(x(0:i))
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or a variation thereof. The dimension of array "sum\_x" will be automatically  
dimensioned to the value contained in "i"

Note: Function "total" is a PV Wave system routine.

R.V.

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