
Subject: Re: Efficient IDL programming (use outer product)

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In article <thompson.755218658@serts.gsfc.nasa.gov>, thompson@serts.gsfc.nasa.gov (William Thompson) writes:

|> chase@aphill.jhuapl.edu (Chris Chase S1A) writes:

|> >IDL Comments/musing/wishful thinking:

|> >2) reduction - apply a scalar valued function along one dimension of

|> > an array (works like TOTAL function when using the dimension

|> > parameter). For example, return the maximum of each row of a

|> > matrix.

|> It seems to me that item 2 above could be best accomplished by taking the

|> DIMENSION keyword recently added to TOTAL, and extending it to the MAX

|> and MIN functions. I, for one, think that would be useful.

|> Bill Thompson

Hear, hear. One of the few times I'm still forced to use FOR loops is in peak finding - finding the maximum of each array in arrays of structures containing arrays.

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