Subject: Re: tensor multiplication

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In article <onpuqjsoqp.fsf@cow.physics.wisc.edu>, Craig Markwardt <craigmnet@cow.physics.wisc.edu> writes:

- |> Yorick, a language similar to IDL, has a cool tensor contraction
- > operator which would fit the bill nicely, or at least make it look
- > more compact.

That's similar as in "it's an interpreted language for scientific data handling and prototyping" not similar as in "the syntax is just about the same" As a language it looks very C-like -- not for the curly-bracket haters.

Yorick is much smaller than IDL and doesn't have geographic maps and sundry other things. However it is free software and the array syntax is very sophisticated, the contraction operator being in some ways one of the better features as Craig points out. It seems fairly stable and behaves well when you try to actually achieve something with it -- this isn't true of some similar packages.

Interested parties can point their browsers at

ftp://ftp-icf.llnl.gov/pub/Yorick/yorick-ad.html

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