
Subject: Re: STANDARD DEVIATION

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Struan Gray wrote:

root.
>
>
> function imageSD, image
>
> localmean = smooth(float(image), 3, /edge_truncate)
> localsd = (float(image)-temporary(localmean))²
> localsd = smooth(temporary(localsd), 3, /edge_truncate)
> localsd = sqrt(temporary(localsd))
>
> return, localsd
>
> end
>
>
> Struan

I believe that this gives different results to the inbuilt IDL routines.

The problem is a wee bit more complicated than it looks.

My routine:

```
;=====
function ben_imageSD, image

siz = size(image,/dim)

standdev = fltarr(siz[0],siz[1])

for i=1,siz[0]-2 do begin
  for j=1,siz[1]-2 do begin
    standdev[i,j] = sqrt(total((image[i-1:i+1,j-1:j+1]-$

total(image[i-1:i+1,j-1:j+1])/9.)2)/8.)
  endfor      ;tricky bit ~~~~~
endfor      ;to do without loops
return,standdev
end
=====
```

IDL's version:

```
;=====
```

```
function IDL_imageSD, image
siz = size(image,/dim)
standdev = fltarr(siz[0],siz[1])
for i=1,siz[0]-2 do begin
  for j=1,siz[1]-2 do begin
    standdev[i,j]=stddev(image[i-1:i+1,j-1:j+1])
  endfor
endfor
return,standdev
end
;=====
```

They do similar things but with loops. Can't figure out how to do this without loops!

Thanks,
Ben
