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Subject: efficient kernel or masking algorithm ?

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I need to apply a smoothing type kernel across an image, and calculate the standard deviation of the pixels masked by this kernel.

ie. lets say I have a 128x128 image. I apply a 3x3 kernel (or simply a mask) starting at [0:2,0:2] and use these pixels to find the standard deviation for the center pixel [1,1] based on its surrounding pixels, then advance the kernel etc deriving a std deviation image essentially. I can see myself doing this 'C' like with for loops but does something exist for IDL to do it better or more efficiently ?

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