
Subject: Re: matching irregular data sets
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hi Steve,

i'm not an idl guru, but my experience with interpolating large fields is that it's just plain slow (i've tried a couple methods).

if you're interested in how i did my near neighbor, you can see it at:

<http://www.johnny-lin.com/lib.html#atmos>

it's called NN_INTERP, and isn't the prettiest, but it seems to work. the main slow down is that it calculates the distances between *all* possible location pairs, since i wanted the procedure to be able to accomodate irregular input and output grids. if you have a timeseries of fixed grids, you can speed things up tremendously by precalculating the distances (the procedure has that option in it).

hope this helps!

best,
-Johnny

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"Steve W. Nesbitt" <snesbitt@met.utah.edu> wrote in message
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> Howdy,

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> This may or may not be a dumb question. I am working on matching two
> irregularly-spaced remote sensing data sets, specifically doing a
> nearest-neighbor or bilinear interpolation of one data set to another.
> I have written a routine to do this, but it is painfully slow since the
> arrays I'm matching are lat/lon grids [400,3000]. I have searched the
> manual ad nauseum! for an IDL canned routine to do this, but they seem
> to require that the output grids be regularly spaced. I would like the
> output to be gridded to the second irregular grid, and it would be nice
> if it would return the indices of the original grid in the output. Let
> me know if one of you IDL gurus can help me out on this one.

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> Many thanks,
> -Steve
