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Subject: Re: trired/triql and EOF/PCA

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wmc@bas.ac.uk wrote in message news:<3c512bf9@news.nwl.ac.uk>...

> ..finding eigenvectors of a symmetric matrix.

I'm no expert on eigenvalue decomposition but I think singular value decomposition may be related (IDL routine "SVDC"). Pre-IDL 5.4, this had the no. of iterations hard-coded to be 20 so it fell down for moderate matrix sizes. Now there is an ITMAX keyword, which lets you set the max. no. of iterations. If you hassle IDL customer support you \*may\* be able to persuade them to provide such a keyword in the TRIRED/TRIQL functions. But that's for the future... As for doing partial decompositions, I don't think IDL has one.

Ciao.

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