
Subject: Re: Does IDL has histogram matching function?
Posted by [aardvark62](#) on Fri, 06 Dec 2002 21:37:29 GMT
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I think I have found a more accurate algorithm for the FCN keyword.
The algorithm in hist_equal.pro IDL 5.5 and 5.6 is:

```
if keyword_set(fcn_in) then begin
    y2 = bytscl(total(histogram(bytscl(fcn_in)), /CUM), TOP=top)
    p = y2[bytscl(p)]
endif else begin
    p = BYTSCL(TEMPORARY(p), TOP = top)
endelse
```

I changed that to:

```
p = BYTSCL(TEMPORARY(p), TOP = top)

if keyword_set(fcn_in) then begin
    y2 = bytarr(top + 1)
    f = bytscl(fcn_in, top=top)
    f = congrid(f, top+1)
    for i=0,top do begin ;invert curve f.
        y2[i] = (where(f ge i))[0]
    end

    p = y2[p]
endif
```

With that change the resulting output fits the requested FCN more closely. I used procedure HISTOGRAM_TEST (below) to assess output. This version of HISTOGRAM_TEST has some fixes from the previous one that I posted in this thread (I think).

The algorithm that I am proposing yeilds images with grayscales that don't always reach TOP. This is dictated by the shape of the FCN curve, and by the fact that caluculations are BYTSCLed. If you really want to reach TOP, you would have to slightly distort the curve (or operate at a higher resolution than bytes). I have not tested this, but one way to reach TOP might be to change...

```
f = bytscl(fcn_in, top=top)
```

...to...

```
f = bytscl(fcn_in, top=top-1)
f[n_elements(f)-1] = top
```

...which distorts the curve a little.

-Paul Sorenson

```
pro histogram_test, top=top
;
;Purpose: visually examine the output of HIST_EQUAL by plotting
;cumulative distribution functions.
;
filename = filepath('ctscan.dat', subdir=['examples', 'data'])
image = read_binary(filename, data_dims=[256, 256])

x = findgen(256)/255.    ;Ramp from 0 to 1.
y = exp(-(x-.5)/.2)^2    ;Gaussian curve

fcu = total(y, /cumulative)
gauss_image = hist_equal(image, fcu=fcu, top=top) ;Request custom
dist.

d = total(histogram(gauss_image), /cum) ;Resulting distribution.

device, decomp=0
window, /free
loadct, 39
;
;Compare the ideal requested distribution curve (in red) to the
actual
;resulting distribution curve (in white).
;
!p.multi = [0, 2, 1]
xrange = [0, top+10] ; Somewhat arbitrary.
;xrange = [0, 80] ; An interesting alternative.
plot, bytscl(d), xrange=xrange
oplot, bytscl(congrid(fcu, top+1)), color=254 ;red

print, 'max(gauss_image) = ', max(gauss_image)

uniform_image = hist_equal(image, top=top) ;Request uniform
distribution.

d = total(histogram(uniform_image), /cum) ;Resulting distribution.
;
;Compare the ideal requested distribution curve (in red) to the
actual
;resulting distribution curve (in white).
;
plot, bytscl(d), xrange=xrange
oplot, bytscl(bindgen(top + 1)), color=254 ;red
```

end

David Fanning <david@dfanning.com> wrote in message
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> Paul Sorenson (aardvark62@msn.com) writes:

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>> I'm not sure if the implementation of FCN is correct. I'm still thinking

>> about it.

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> I don't know. According to what I read about this,

> the method is -- at best -- an approximation

> with digital images. It seems to be doing approximately

> what I expect it to. Close enough for government work,

> anyway.

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> Cheers,

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> David
