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Subject: Re: Unexpected rebin behavior

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In article <3F561762.B0B31F0B@saicmodis.com>,

James Kuyper <kuyper@saicmodis.com> wrote:

> Mike Chinander wrote:

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>> Performing rebin on 2-d (or any higher dimension) integer arrays sometimes

>> give results I didn't expect. Here's a trivial example array:

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>> IDL> help, b

>> B            INT        = Array[2, 2]

>>

>> IDL> print, b

>>        8     9

>>       10    13

>>

>> Minifying this to a 1x1 array with rebin gives:

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>> IDL> print, rebin(b,1,1)

>>        9

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>> But,

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>> IDL> print, fix(total(b)/4)

>>       10

>

> What it's doing is total(b/4), rather than total(b)/4. This has the

> advantage of handling large numbers without producing overflow. It has

> the disadvantage of underflowing for very small numbers, and producing

> wierd results when re-binning integer data.

Then why does rebin of the transpose give a different result?

IDL> print, rebin(transpose(b),1,1)

10

If it were just doing total(b/4), b and tranpose(b) should give the same results.

--Mike Chinander

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