
Subject: Number of points within a rectangular region
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Hello,

I'm trying to get the indices to the points that fall within a rectangular region. I'm aware of David Fanning's INSIDE routine that does this but because I have got 100,000 points its going to involve a lot of looping. So I decided to use the HIST_ND with reverse indices but its not giving me the right results. What am I missing?

Thanks in advance.

Isa

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IDL> x = [0.5,-0.5,-0.5,0.5]
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IDL> y = [0.5,0.5,-0.5,-0.5]
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IDL> z = transpose([[x],[y]])
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IDL> result = hist_nd(z,min = [0,0], max = [1,1], nbins = 1, reverse_indices  
= ri)
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print, ri[ri[0]:ri[1]-1]
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0 1 2 3
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