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Subject: Re: Spherical Harmonics.

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In article <3mb3uk\$5bn@sun4.bham.ac.uk>, [slt@xuna.sr.bham.ac.uk](mailto:slt@xuna.sr.bham.ac.uk) (James Tappin) wrote:

> Does anyone have either of the following:

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> 1) A routine to fit (low order) spherical harmonics to data. That is take  
> data tabulated at selected latitude & longitude values and return  
> spherical harmonic coefficients of the best fit.

There is a Fortran package available from NCAR (<ftp.ncar.ucar.edu>) to compute spherical harmonic transforms (either direction) on regular or Gaussian lat-lon grids.

Try: <http://http.ucar.edu/SOFTLIB/SPHERE.html>

You can call Fortran from IDL, although I haven't tried to call this particular library.

Regards, Ken Bowman

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