
Subject: Looking for tetrahedra. Searching sorted lists.
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Hi all,

I was wondering if anybody can suggest a fast algorithm (perhaps using the magic of HISTOGRAM :-o) to find tetrahedra. Let me explain.

I need to find quadruplets of mutually nearest neighbours id's in a nearest neighbour list.

I start with a list of nearest neighbours id's, NN which is a $2 \times n$ ($n \sim 6e6$ yep!) intarr and is sorted so that for any i:

$NN[0,i] \leq N[1,i]$ and
 $NN[0,i] \leq NN[0,i+1]$

example input:

```
0 2
0 5
0 34
1 2 *
1 3 *
1 4 *
1 56
2 3 *
2 4 *
3 4 *
3 9
3 12
...
```

What I would like is an output of the form $4 \times m$ (m is whatever it is) and each row contains the sorted list of ids for each quadruplet.

example output:

```
1 2 3 4 <-- Are all neabours to each other.
...
```

Currently my code takes (too) many hours to do this on Xeon 2GHz with 1.5GB ram and idl 6.0.

Any help or suggestions would be much appreciated!!

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PS: I can post my code if you think it might help.
