Subject: Re: Algorithm for lat/lon searching Posted by news.qwest.net on Fri, 18 Aug 2006 19:17:01 GMT

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"JD Smith" <jdsmith@as.arizona.edu> wrote in message news:pan.2006.08.18.17.54.28.887505@as.arizona.edu...

- > On Fri, 18 Aug 2006 10:50:56 -0400, Paul van Delst wrote:
- > Here's a simple notion:

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- > Why not develop a "whole earth grid" in whatever binning and projection is
- > useful (an equal area projection comes to mind), run all your land points
- > (only) through HIST_ND, store the resulting REVERSE_INDICES, and then, for
- > a given lat/lon, look up its position in the multi-dimensional reverse
- > index vector, and read out the emissivity data points.

That is a good solution, and one that I have employed in the past. I would just point out that it gives a square of data (or in general rectangle

in lat and lon), so some points along the diagonal are farther away than others.

If you want to get a constant radius disk, you will have to calculate distances

(perhaps something like what I suggested in my other post).

Having said that I doubt that it would make much of a difference, and I would go with the square grid approach.

Cheers, bob