
Subject: Re: RMS of background
Posted by [Jean H.](#) on Fri, 29 Sep 2006 17:40:58 GMT
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adisn123@yahoo.com wrote:

> I have a sky background image and want to find what rms of the
> background is.
> Do I want to
> 1) square all pixel values of each point in the 2d image
> 2) add them and divide by the total number of points
> 3) take a square root of that?
>

you should read the help file about arrays...

```
square = image^2
total = total(square)
nbPixels = n_elements(image)
sqrt = sqrt(float(total) / nbPixels)
```

Jean H.
