
Subject: Re: moving average of a large array
Posted by [Paul Van Delst\[1\]](#) on Mon, 27 Nov 2006 17:21:59 GMT
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David Fanning wrote:

> Jenny writes:

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>> Thanks for your kind reminder! I see they are not the same. What I
>> really want is a 5 or 7 point moving average of the 3rd dimension of my
>> array. Why couldn't they add the convenient arguments/keywords to
>> TS_SMOOTH?!

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> Maybe they will when you ask you ask them nicely. :-)

>

> Most programs are written with a particular purpose in
> mind. But anyone who has shared programs with the world
> quickly comes to realize that either (A) people can't
> read the documentation, or (B) people could care less
> about the documentation and want to use the program for
> their own purposes anyway. It's an eye-opening experience.

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> Over time you get a little better at anticipating how
> people are going to use/abuse your programs and you make
> allowances for that in your coding. But only a savant could
> see all the possibilities. :-)

Or you could label your code as opiniated software. See:
<http://tinyurl.com/7ojc8>

A small quote:

<quote>

Rails is opinionated software. It eschews placing the old ideals of software in a primary position. One of those ideals is flexibility; ½ the notion that we should try to accommodate as many approaches as possible, that we shouldn't pass judgement on one form of development over another.

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cheers,

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