
Subject: Re: Delaunay triangulation search

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On Oct 5, 6:17 pm, Charudatta Phatak <cpha...@andrew.cmu.edu> wrote:

> Hello All,

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> I want to know, is there a function in IDL which will give me the
> corresponding indices of a triangle from a delaunay triangulation for
> the given point. So suppose i use TRIANGULATE to generate a
> triangulation. Then i want to go through the image pixel by pixel and
> want to determine which pixels are enclosed in a particular triangle.

>

> In MATLAB, the function tsearch does this. This is the help of tsearch
> from matlab website:

>

> tsearch

> Search for enclosing Delaunay triangle

> Syntax

> T = tsearch(x,y,TRI,xi,yi)

> Description

> T = tsearch(x,y,TRI,xi,yi) returns an index into the rows of TRI for
> each point in xi, yi. The tsearch command returns NaN for all points
> outside the convex hull. Requires a triangulation TRI of the points x,y
> obtained from delaunay.

>

> I think a function like QHULL in IDL might be able to do the same thing
> but i'm unable to figure how to use it.

> Thank you...

>

> cheers,

> -cd

Hi,

I am sure there are much more efficient ways, but I suggest the brute force approach by using IDL's IDLanROI and IDLanROIgroup objects. They each have a ContainsPoints method which comes in handy even if not very fast (or maybe it is fast and I am just impatient!) In any event, I have modified the TRIANGULATE example from the online docs to show what I mean. Hope it helps get you started.

Cheers,

Ben

***BEGIN

PRO TriSearch

```
; Make 50 normal x, y points:
```

```
x = RANDOMN(seed, 50)
```

```
y = RANDOMN(seed, 50)
```

```
mmX = [MIN(x), MAX(x)]
```

```
mmY = [MIN(y), MAX(y)]
```

```
x = (x-mmX[0])/(mmX[1]-mmX[0]) * 99
```

```
y = (y-mmy[0])/(mmy[1]-mmy[0]) * 99
```

```
WINDOW, 0
```

```
; Show points:
```

```
PLOT, x, y, psym=1,/ISO
```

```
; Obtain triangulation:
```

```
TRIANGULATE, x, y, tr, b
```

```
roiGroup = OBJ_NEW('IDLanROIgroup')
```

```
; Show the triangles:
```

```
FOR i=0, N_ELEMENTS(tr)/3-1 DO BEGIN
```

```
  ; Subscripts of vertices [0,1,2,0]:
```

```
  t = [tr[*],i], tr[0,i]]
```

```
  ; Connect triangles:
```

```
  PLOTS, x[t], y[t], psym = -3
```

```
  roiGroup->Add, OBJ_NEW('IDLanROI', x[t], y[t])
```

```
ENDFOR
```

```
;mock up an image and the indices for each pixel
```

```
img = REPLICATE(255B, 100,100)
```

```
xx = FINDGEN(100) # REPLICATE(1.0,100)
```

```
yy = REPLICATE(1.0,100) # FINDGEN(100)
```

```
;find out if the pixels are in/out
```

```
;you could devise a way of testing each polygon (triangle) -
```

```
;it shouldn't be too hard - just arr = roiGroup->Get(/all)
```

```
;to retrieve the individual rois, then loop through testing each
```

```
;using the array[i]->ContainsPoints(xx,yy). It is your call.
```

```
ok = roiGroup->ContainsPoints(xx,yy)
```

```
A = WHERE(ok, nA, COMP = B, NCOMP = nB)
```

```
if nA then PLOTS, xx[A],yy[A], psym = 3
```

```
if nB GT 0 then begin
```

```
  WINDOW, 1, XSIZE = 100, YSIZE = 100
```

```
  img[B] = 0
```

```
  TVSCL, img
```

```
endif
```

END
***END
