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Subject: Re: 5th & 95th Percentiles

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On Feb 13, 4:10 pm, Vince Hradil <hrad...@yahoo.com> wrote:

> On Feb 13, 9:58 am, chloesharro...@gmail.com wrote:

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>> Hello

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>> I have an array of data which is not in order and need to find the 5th

>> & 95th percentile of this data. Is there an easy way to do this? I

>> will eventually need it to be extended to a for loop that works

>> through multiple arrays each of which have a different number of data

>> contained within them.

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>> Thanks

>> Chloé

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>> PS. I'm very inexperienced with IDL so the simpler the better!

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> I use this:[http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-1/idl\\_icglib/idl\\_source/idl\\_lib/Mart...](http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-1/idl_icglib/idl_source/idl_lib/Mart...)

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pc5 = Data( (SORT(Data) ) (5 * N_ELEMENTS(Data) / 100) )
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pc95 = Data( (SORT(Data) ) (95 * N_ELEMENTS(Data) / 100) )
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This is blatant thievery on my part from an old newsgroup thread.

Try searching the old posts for Stein Vidar to whom all credit should go! :-)

Good luck!

Chris

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