
Subject: Re: Convolving speed issue

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I haven't followed exactly what you are doing below,
and I am not familiar with Matlab's conv2, but
couldn't you use the FFT method instead?
That should be much faster.

Paolo

rog...@gmail.com wrote:

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> Hi there,  
> I have a strange problem with the IDL convolving possibilities. I'd  
> like to make a script which convolves 2 matrices - e.g. a and b - in  
> the same behavior conv2(a,b,'same') Matlab does. The Problem is not to  
> make such a script, the problem is that IDL takes too long or hangs  
> when i try to convolve larger matrices. I tried certainly all kinds of  
> using the built-in IDL-convol method, but convolving large arrays ends  
> always in different results compared to the very fast Matlab conv2.  
> Maybe someone could help me. Here's the sample code:  
>  
> function size_dim, in, direction  
> dims = size(in, /dimensions)  
> return, dims[direction]  
> end  
>  
> function zeropadding, in,xsize,ysize  
> ;only for 2D-arrays  
> xsize_in=size_dim(in,0)  
> ysize_in=size_dim(in,1)  
> shiftx = ceil((xsize-xsize_in)/2)  
> shifty = ceil((ysize-ysize_in)/2)  
> temp = fltarr(xsize,ysize)  
> temp[0:xsize_in-1,0:ysize_in-1] = in  
> temp = shift(temp,shiftx,shifty)  
> return, temp  
> end  
>  
> function conv2, a,b  
> size_a=[size_dim(a,0),size_dim(a,1)]  
> size_b=[size_dim(b,0),size_dim(b,1)]  
> a=zeropadding(a,size_a[0]+size_b[0], size_a[1]+size_b[1])  
> b=zeropadding(b,size_a[0]+size_b[0], size_a[1]+size_b[1])  
> c=fltarr(size_a[0]+size_b[0], size_a[1]+size_b[1], /nozero)  
> addx = floor(total(size_a)/4)  
> endx = ceil(double(total(size_a)/4))  
> addy = floor(total(size_b)/4)
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> endy = ceil(double(total(size_b)/4))
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> for n1=0,size_a[0]+size_b[0]-1 do begin
>   for n2=0,size_a[1]+size_b[1]-1 do begin
>     temp=0
>     temp2=0
>     for k1=0+addx,size_a[0]+size_b[0]-1-endx do begin
>       for k2=0+addx,size_a[1]+size_b[1]-1-endy do begin
>         if n1-k1 gt-1 and n2-k2 gt-1 then begin
>           temp=a[k1,k2]*b[n1-k1+addx,n2-k2+addy]
>           temp2=temp2+temp
>         endif
>       endfor
>     endfor
>     c[n1,n2]=temp2
>   endfor
> endfor
> temp = shift(c,-2*addx,-2*addy)
> return, temp[0:size_a[0]-1,0:size_b[0]-1]
> end
>
>
> pro conv
> ; sample matrix -> magic(5) in Matlab
> a= [[17, 24, 1, 8, 15],$
>      [23, 5, 7, 14, 16],$
>      [4, 6, 13, 20, 22],$
>      [10, 12, 19, 21, 3],$
>      [11, 18, 25, 2, 9]]
> b=2*a
> c=a
> d=b
> print, 'Trying own convolution...',string(10b),conv2(a,b), string(10B)
> print, 'Trying built in convolution...',string(10b),$
> shift(convol(zeropadding(c,10,10),zeropadding(d,10,10), center=0,/
> edge_wrap),-4,-4),string(10b)
> end
>
> Maybe there is a solution for using reform in some way? It seems to be
> quicker as for-loops. But I can't imagine how it could work when the
> indices of the multiplying matrices are varying.
>
> Hope on help
>
> Thank you and best regards
>
> Chris

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