
Subject: Re: An algorithm puzzle

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Sat, 14 Jun 2008 04:09:36 GMT

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Y.T. writes:

> I'm currently brute-forcing it with two for-loops where I calculate
> the distance between every single element and every single "other"
> element and then finding the minimum. Needless to say this takes about
> a metric forever and I figured you folks usually have really clever
> ideas so I'm throwing this out here to see whether there isn't some
> obscure usage of histogram that does exactly what I want...

And I'll steal an IDL T-shirt from the IDL Workbench Seminar
next Tuesday for the first person who's solution runs in
less than, say, 10 seconds! Be sure to specify your size. :-)

Cheers,

David

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
