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Subject: Newbie question concerning summations/loops in IDL

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Hello,

I have need of some experienced users with sort of a newbie question.

I am writing a code that needs a summation in it, this is what I have thus far:

```
v=    ; volume of region
a=    ; area of region
o= 60*pi/180    ; fault dip angle
g=    ; scaling factor
t= 150    ; elastic lithosphere thickness
h=    ; depth of faulting
```

```
ind_small = where(thaext[1,*] lt t)
ind_large = where(thaext[1,*] ge t)
thaext_small = thaext[:,ind_small]
thaext_large = thaext[:,ind_large]
```

```
ens=(sin(o)*cos(o)/v)*    ; horizonatal normal strain for small faults
enl=(cos(o)/a)*    ; horizonatal normal strain for
large faults
evs=(-sin(o)*cos(o)/v)*    ; vertical normal strain for small faults
evl=(-cos(o)/a)*    ; vertical normal strain for large faults
```

The summation needs to be after \* in the ens, enl, evs and evl fields.

It must be of the form:

summation N, i=0 [Di Li Hi] for small faults, where N = ind\_small, Hi= T/sin(o) and

summation N, i=0 [Di Li] for large faults, where N=ind\_large

Could anyone provide any insight/guidance?

Thanks,  
~Matt

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