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Subject: Re: Newbie question concerning summations/loops in IDL

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On Jul 30, 3:57 am, Jeremy Bailin <astroco...@gmail.com> wrote:

> On Jul 30, 4:33 am, Wox <nom...@hotmail.com> wrote:

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>> On Tue, 29 Jul 2008 23:19:19 -0700 (PDT), mbwel...@gmail.com wrote:

>>> On Jul 29, 7:27 pm, Chris <beaum...@ifa.hawaii.edu> wrote:

>>>> On Jul 29, 1:12 pm, mbwel...@gmail.com wrote:

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>>>> > Hello,

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

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>>>> > I am writing a code that needs a summation in it, this is what I have

>>>> > thus far:

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>>>> > 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

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>>>> > ind\_small = where(thaext[1,\*] lt t)

>>>> > ind\_large = where(thaext[1,\*] ge t)

>>>> > thaext\_small = thaext[:,ind\_small]

>>>> > thaext\_large = thaext[:,ind\_large]

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>>>> > 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

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>>>> > 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

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>>>> > Could anyone provide any insight/guidance?

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>>>> > Thanks,
>>>> > ~Matt
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>>>> I don't know what some of your variables are (Li? Di?), but you might
>>>> want to look at TOTAL() to start- you can use that to do most
>>>> summation tasks.
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>>> L and D are data from a ascii table that is already ready in, while i
>>> is the indice of the summation. I've looked at total, but the examples
>>> were sorely lacking. I was hoping that perhaps a useful example, given
>>> my code and desire, could be supplied.
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>>> ~Matt
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>> I'm not sure what you mean with "summation N, i=0 [Di Li Hi] ... where
>> N=ind_small". The index i goes from 0 to what? And what are you
>> summing? D[i]*L[i]*H[i]?
>
> Okay, if I understand it correctly, then what you're saying is that in
> ind_small you multiply by an extra factor of t/sin(o) inside the sum,
> but not in ind_large?
>
> H = replicate(1., n_elements(D))
> H[ind_small] = t/sin(o)
> summation = total(D*L*H)
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> Is that what you're looking for?
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> (by the way, look up !RADEG).
>
> -Jeremy.

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Thanks for the responses.

I think that I did not adequately explain what I needed to do, Let me be more specific now. (this might be a little complicated)

I have a .sav file which is a FLOAT array[2,7923] but may go as high as [2,18000] and the forms are as such: [id, Length].

ind\_small and ind\_large are where I select the lengths to be smaller or larger, respectively, than t. Then place them back into the new matrices thaext\_small and thaext\_large. (not completely sure if this is necessary.)

Now comes the part that I am a little confused on how to program.

ens, enl, evs and evl fields are going to be a constant \* a summation (which will be different for all four).

The number of sums or (N) needs to be equal to the number of the faults down selected by Ind\_small (or since ind\_small = where(thaext[1,\*] lt t), it needs to sum the number of the second column in the array). This number will be different for both the large and small cases (eg. ind\_large = where(thaext[1,\*] ge t)). So, i then should be # of points in column 2 of ind\_small/ind\_large - 1 (I would think).

The summation is  $[D[i]*L[i]*H[i]]$  for small faults and the summation is  $[D[i]*L[i]]$  for large faults, where:

$D[i]=C[i]*L[i]$  for small faults and

$D[i]=C[i]*H[i]$  for large faults,

$L[i]$ = length (from column 2 of thaext\_small/thaext\_large) and

$H[i]=(1/2 \text{ or } 1/3)*L[i]$  for small faults and

$H[i] = t/\sin(o)$  for large faults and

$C[i]$  may or may not be a constant

This should now read as constant \* summation $[C[i]*L[i]*L[i]*L[i]]$  for small faults and constant \* summation  $[C[i]*L[i]]$  for large faults.

I think that's everything I need to be able to do, hopefully it's a bit clearer now.

Thanks,  
~Matt

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