
Subject: Re: CUDA version of RANDOMN?

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On Aug 15, 11:16 am, "hotplainr...@gmail.com" <hotplainr...@gmail.com> wrote:

> On Aug 16, 12:28 am, wlandsman <wlands...@gmail.com> wrote:

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>> On Aug 15, 10:11 am, "hotplainr...@gmail.com" <hotplainr...@gmail.com>

>> wrote:

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>>> Hey guys,

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>>> I need to write a kernel to replace the IDL RANDOMN POISSON

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>>> for loop

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>>> c = data[x,y,b]

>>> if c gt 0.0 then begin

>>> n = RANDOMN(seedP, POISSON=c)

>>> endif else begin

>>> n = 0

>>> endelse

>>> data[x,y,b] = n

>>> endfor

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>>> endfor

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>>> Could someone point out an example code of how RANDOMN POISSON so that

>>> I can implement it in CUDA?

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>> Your best bet is to probably look at the Poisson generating algorithm

>> in "Numerical Recipes in C" if you are going to implement it CUDA.

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>> I have implemented the "Numerical Recipes in C" algorithm into the IDL

>> procedure poidev.pro at <http://idlastro.gsfc.nasa.gov/ftp/pro/math/poidev.pro>.

>> Although poidev.pro is normally slower than calling randomn(POISSON=),

>> it has advantages for just the problem you describe, which can be

>> written as simply

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>> data = poidev(data)

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>> rather than using a triple FOR loop. --Wayne

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> Thanks for the reply. I was about to use your code until I discovered

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> the problem of achieving this.  
>  
>         c = data[x,y,b]  
>         if c gt 0.0 then begin  
>             n = RANDOMN( seedP, POISSON=c )  
>         endif else begin  
>             n = 0  
>         endelse  
>  
> I guess the only way is to code a poisson kernel and then do tiling on  
> the data.
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Yes, that does mean the code becomes 3 lines instead of 1

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g = where( data GT 0, Ng ,complement=g1, Ncomplement=Ng1)  
if Ng GT 0 then data[g] = poidev(data[g])  
if Ng1 GT 0 then data[g1] = 0
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--Wayne
