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Subject: Re: FOR loops removal

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On Aug 19, 9:43 am, Wox <nom...@hotmail.com> wrote:

> On Tue, 19 Aug 2008 05:38:50 -0700 (PDT), loebasboy

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> <stijn....@gmail.com> wrote:

```
>>   FOR l = 0, n*2 DO BEGIN
```

```
>>     temp = 0
```

```
>>     FOR i = 0, max_y-1 DO BEGIN
```

```
>>       FOR j = 0, max_x-1 DO BEGIN
```

```
>>         jtemp = j + l
```

```
>>         jtemp2 = j + n
```

```
>>         temp = temp + (arr[i,jtemp] * arr [i,jtemp2])
```

```
>>       ENDFOR
```

```
>>     ENDFOR
```

```
>>     output[l] = temp/(max_x*max_y)
```

```
>>   ENDFOR
```

>

> The code below is a start. Does this processing have a name? It feels

> familiar somehow. Btw, in IDL the first index of an array is the

> column and the second is the row. So in your case y are the columns

> and x are the rows. No problem with that off course, just check

> whether this is how you intended it.

>

> n = 8

> max\_x = 5

> max\_y = 5

> output = fltarr(2\*n+1)

> arr = findgen(max\_y, 2\*n+max\_x) +1

>

> arr2=arr[0:max\_y-1,n:max\_x-1+n]

> FOR l = 0, 2\*n DO \$

> output[l] = total(arr[0:max\_y-1,l:max\_x-1+l]\*arr2)

> output/=max\_x\*max\_y

Following on that last version, I think we can *completely* get rid of the loop... though at the expense (as usual) of memory:

```
n = 8
```

```
max_x = 5
```

```
max_y = 5
```

```
arr = findgen(max_y, 2*n+max_x) +1
```

```
max_area = max_x*max_y
```

```
output = total( arr[rebin(lindgen(max_area),max_area,2*n+1) +
```

```
  max_y*rebin(reform(lindgen(2*n+1),1,2*n+1),max_area,2*n+1)] *
```

```
rebin( (arr[:,n:max_x-1+n])[*], max_area,2*n+1), 1) / max_area
```

Whether that's actually faster will depend on how big max\_x, max\_y and n are, of course... it ends up internally storing a couple of max\_x\*max\_y\*(2\*n+1) arrays, so if that is going to take you into swap then you're best off sticking with Wox's version. If that stays in physical memory, though, I bet this will win.

-Jeremy.

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