
Subject: Re: Cleaver 2d reverse indices?

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>
> In fact, come to think of it, you don't even need to do the
> transformation. IDL just converts array[x,y,z] back into array[i]
> anyways - this could save some extra time.

IN FACT, maybe we don't need loops at all...

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t0 = systime(/seconds)
mean3 = fltarr(size(nd,/dim))

ind = ulindgen(nx * ny - 1) + 1 ; - don't include 0- do it manually
bad = where(ri[ind] eq ri[ind+1], ct) + 1 ; -add 1 because ind starts
at 1
newRI = ri[0:nx * ny] - ri[0]

runningSum = total(pxxm[ri[ri[0]:ri[nx * ny] - 1]], /cumulative)

mean3[ind] = (runningSum[newRI[ind+1] - 1] - runningSum[newRI[ind] -
1]) / (newRI[ind+1] - newRI[ind])
if ct ne 0 then mean3[bad] = 0 ; - fix empty bins

;-manually fill in first element
if newRI[1] ne 0 then $
  mean3[0] = runningSum[newRI[1] - 1] / newRI[1]

print, 'time: ', systime(/seconds) - t0
```

All of the adding and subtracting of 1s is super ugly, but it runs about 30x faster for me. Also, the /CUMULATIVE keyword for total seems to be unstable - the errors between this method and the earlier method grow with the index number. That seems bizarre, but the errors were minor (.01%) for the input I used.

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