
Subject: Re: Calculate the mean of many images

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On Nov 16, 2:04 pm, Craig Markwardt <cbmarkwa...@gmail.com> wrote:

> On Nov 16, 1:30 pm, Bulrush <Wasit.Weat...@gmail.com> wrote:

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>> On Nov 16, 2:54 am, Craig Markwardt <cbmarkwa...@gmail.com> wrote:

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>>> On Nov 16, 1:16 am, Bulrush <Wasit.Weat...@gmail.com> wrote:

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>>>> Hello,

>>>> I know this topic has been posted several times. But I could not find

>>>> my answer from these posted.

>>>> My issue is: I have many images 2 bands in each, one image is QA image

>>>> and the other one is data.

>>>> I need to calculate the mean of good pixels. Let's say QA image tells

>>>> me the location of good pixels, e.g. 1 for good pixels, and other for

>>>> bad. There are also NaN values. So, if the pixels are "good" in 7

>>>> images out of ten, then

>>>> (pixel1+pixel2...+Pixel7) /7

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>>> I would loop over input images, and keep track of the cumulative sum

>>> of the number of valid pixels (NPIX), and the cumulative sum of the

>>> pixel values (SUM). Something like the following. Since there are

>>> only a few images, there will be very little overhead in the FOR-loop.

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>>> Craig

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>>> npix = 0 & sum = 0

>>> for i = 0, n_images-1 do begin

>>> qa = ... the ith QA image ...

>>> img = ... the ith image ...

>>> mask = (qa EQ 1) AND (finite(img) EQ 1)

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>>> ;; Sum valid pixels

>>> npix += mask

>>> wh = where(mask, ct)

>>> if ct GT 0 then sum(wh) += img(wh)

>>> endfor

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>>> ;; Positions where there are good pixels

>>> qa_avg = (npix GT 0)

>>> wh = where(qa_avg EQ 1)

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>>> ;; Compute average for valid pixels

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>>> avg = sum*0
>>> avg(wh) = sum(wh) / npix(wh)
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>> Thanks for all the comments. I think Craig's method would work for me.
>> the Actual QA image contains more than one value, such as 0.00 (good
>> pixel), 1.000 (between good and band), 2.000 (cloud), 3.000(snow),
>> etc.
>> What does finite(img) EQ 1 mean here? Can I write this statement as
>> the following?
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>> mask = (qa EQ 1.000 and qa EQ 0.000 ) AND (finite(img) EQ 1.000 &&
>> 0.000)
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> As Chris points out, this is a logically inconsistent expression.
> Probably you want,
> (qa EQ 1 OR qa EQ 0)
> for the first part of your expression.
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> I'm not sure what you are getting at from the second part of the
> expression. FINITE(img) is 0 if the pixel value is infinite or NaN, 1
> otherwise. Looks like your "&& 0.000" is superfluous.
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> To answer your other question: the WHERE occurs a few lines later.
> I'm using a MASK since you need to accumulate the number of pixels as
> well as the pixel values.
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Thank you. I just run the code, but it always reporting syntax error
for sum(wh) += img(wh), for the brackets.
