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Subject: Re: Approximate convolution - for loop problem

Posted by [Sam](#) on Sun, 21 Dec 2008 20:01:39 GMT

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Hi David, unfortunately shift() does not do the business for me, as these two examples below show. So I'm still a bit stumped here.

; Array operation I'm trying to execute.

a=[1.,2.,3.,4.]

for ii=1,3 do a[ii] += 0.5\*a[ii-1]

print,a

1.00000    2.50000    4.25000    6.12500

; Attempt to perform this operation with shift()

a=[1.,2.,3.,4.]

a += 0.5\*shift(a,-1)

print,a

2.00000    3.50000    5.00000    4.50000

On Dec 21, 7:03 pm, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:

> samuel.le...@gmail.com writes:

>> Hello everyone, I'm trying to execute a 1-d convolution of an array,  
>> signal.

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>> Using an analytic approximation, obtaining the convolved bolometer  
>> signal, bolo\_signal, at time step ii, is given by the following:

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>> nsamp=n\_elements(signal)

>> const1 = exp(-tsamp/taubolo)

>> const2 = 1.-const1

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>> bolo\_signal = const2\*signal

>> for ii= 1L,nsamp-1L do begin

>>    bolo\_signal[ii] += const1\*bolo\_signal[ii-1]

>> endfor

>

>> where tsamp and taubolo are scalars. Is there any way to avoid the for  
>> loop in this case? The hope is to speed up the execution.

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> I think this gives you the same results:

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>    bolo\_signal += const1 \* shift(bolo\_signal,-1)

>

> Cheers,  
>  
> David  
> --  
> David Fanning, Ph.D.  
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> Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

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