
Subject: Re: Cannot understand a part of the IDL routine!! pls help!!

Posted by [Brian Daniel](#) on Mon, 24 May 2010 18:26:49 GMT

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On 24 May, 08:16, Jeremy Bailin <astroco...@gmail.com> wrote:

> On May 23, 11:07 am, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:

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>> bala murugan writes:

>>> The following is a part of the IDL routine for region grow. The

>>> following three lines of code is used to define the pixels that is the

>>> ROI pixels.

>>> x = FINDGEN(16*16) MOD 16 + 276

>>> y = LINDGEN(16*16) / 16 + 254

>>> roiPixels = x + y * imgDims[0]

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>>> The question is how does it define the ROI pixels?

>>> I dont see how it does..... Somebody please help me by giving a

>>> simple and clear description.

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>> What is happening here is the IDL is turning one-dimensional

>> image indices into two-dimensional image indices. Before

>> the advent of the function Array_Indices, we always had

>> to do this by hand. This code was obviously written in

>> those long-ago dark days.

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>> Here is an article that explains this process in some

>> detail:

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>> http://www.dfanning.com/tips/where_to_2d.html

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>> Cheers,

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>> David

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>> Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming:<http://www.dfanning.com/>

>> Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

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> Incidentally, is there an in-built routine that I've missed that does

> the reverse mapping (multi-D to 1D)? I know I've written my own and I

> suspect others have too, but it seems like there ought to be a built-

> in version.

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reform does the trick. For example:

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image = indgen(20,30,3)
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help, image
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IMAGE      INT      = Array[20, 30, 3]
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image_vector = reform(image,20*30*3)
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help, image_vector
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IMAGE_VECTOR  INT      = Array[1800]
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-Brian
