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Subject: Re: How to average every nth data?

Posted by [beardown911](#) on Fri, 05 Nov 2010 15:09:30 GMT

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On Nov 5, 8:54 am, Jeremy Bailin <astroco...@gmail.com> wrote:

> On Nov 4, 4:55 pm, Michael Galloy <mgal...@gmail.com> wrote:

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>> On 11/4/10 2:31 PM, go cats wrote:

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>>> On Nov 4, 1:14 pm, Chris W<cwood1...@gmail.com> wrote:

>>>> On Nov 4, 12:53 pm, go cats<beardown...@gmail.com> wrote:

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>>>> > Dear Gurus,

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>>>> > Hope someone will help me how to figure this out.

>>>> > I've been keep trying to do some spectral resampling (just simple

>>>> > average) with ASD data.

>>>> > ASD data is a two dimensional array;

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>>>> > wavelength    data

>>>> > 350            0.001146

>>>> > 351            0.001176

>>>> > 352            0.001147

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>>>> > .             .

>>>> > .             .

>>>> > 2500          0.0004311

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>>>> > What I've been trying to do is averaging every nth data values and

>>>> > rewrite into a new array.

>>>> > For example, if I want to average every 3rd data values, the resulting

>>>> > array will be

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>>>> > 350            0.001150

>>>> > 353            0.001147

>>>> > and so on.

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>>>> > MS excel seems to be able to handle it, but it wouldn't be a good idea

>>>> > for processing several hundres files.

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>>>> > I really appreciate if someone could give me tip(s).

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>>>> > Thanks,

>>>> > Kim

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>>>> put the data into separate arrays
>>>> then reform them
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>>>> rw = reform(w, 3, n_elements(w)/3) ; make sure w has a multiple of 3
>>>> length
>>>> rd = reform(d, 3, n_elements(d)/3)
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>>>> get the mean across the 1st dimension for the average
>>>> result_d = mean(rd,dimension = 1)
>>>> get the minimum across the wavelengths
>>>> result_w = min(rw, dimension = 1)
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>>> Hi Chris,
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>>> The "dimension" flag may not be used in the "mean" function.
>>> wavelength sorting was successful, but only one (total) mean value was
>>> calculated.
>>> I am digging out what I did wrong.
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>>> Thanks,
>>> Kim
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>> IDL 8.0 added the DIMENSION keyword for MEAN.
>
>> Mike
>> --www.michaelgalloy.com
>> Research Mathematician
>> Tech-X Corporation
>
> If you're on pre-8, you can use the modifications of the intrinsic
> routines here:
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> http://web.astroconst.org/jbiu/#MOMENTDIMEN
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Hi all,

Thank you all for your invaluable tips and code examples.

Kim

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