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Subject: Re: MATRIX LOGARITHM (and EXPONENTIAL)

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On Jan 27, 4:41 pm, teddyallen <teddyal...@yahoo.com> wrote:

> Just a quick question. Does IDL have a similar command to the popular  
> MATLAB logm and expm so that I can take the matrix logarithm (and  
> exponential)? I understand that ALOG and EXP will not function in this  
> sense.  
> Thank you,  
> teddy

No, IDL doesn't have those functions built in.

I don't know if anyone has written routines to compute either of those.

Do you need a solution for general arrays? In special cases (say, if the determinant is small or the matrix can be diagonalized) it may not be too hard to write a routine for it. For more general cases it may be a bit more challenging.

Ciao,  
Paolo

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