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Subject: Re: Relative distances between vector elements and search for matches in other vector.

Posted by [cgguido](#) on Wed, 25 Apr 2012 15:03:35 GMT

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Also, I would also get `nx=n_elements(xx)` once and use it when I need it.

Finally, your min for loop, I suspect one histogram could do it. but I am not sure what you're trying to do...

If you keep your loop then you could try this:

```
a = where( abs(ratio-ratio2[jjj]) LT 0.05 ,count)
```

and also avoid appending to `stel_dep` and `stel_wave` by creating them outside the loop and filling as needed. Then clip one at the end.

PS: histogram wise... I'd start with something approximately like:

```
nr=n_elements(ratio)
nr2=n_elements(ratio2)
```

```
bigratio=rebin(ratio,[nr,nr2],/sample)
bigratio2=transpose(rebin(ratio2,[nr2,nr], /sample))
```

now you have two arrays that are the same size, so you can do:  
`diff=bigratio-bigratio2`

```
;good is now filled with 1s and 0s
good=abs(diff) LT 0.05
```

```
;you can count them by using DIMENSION with total:
count=total(good,2)
```

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On Wednesday, April 25, 2012 9:03:00 AM UTC-5, Trifon Trifonov wrote:

> Hallo all

> I am new in IDL but I am increasing my level everyday and I am so happy that I discover IDL!!!

> I stuck very badly in one algorithm that I am developing for my Pipeline.

> I am searching for a routine or method to:

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> 1st. define the relative distances between vector elements ( e.g. distances between peaks in the spectrum(allready identified))

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>
> 2nd. to identify the lines from another vector (bigger or smaller in array size)
> based on the criteria of the above (1st.)
>
> E.g.
>
> I have:
> RATIO_STLINES  FLOAT  = Array[21]
>   0.00000  -0.171038  -0.594733  -1.21922  -1.40923  -1.52994  -1.56168
-1.92495  -2.28294  -2.34803  -2.38444
>   -3.15909  -3.46812  -3.61399  -3.97221  -4.09896  -4.27114  -4.43637
-5.69552  -6.05595  -6.23174
>
> RATIO_CAT  FLOAT  = Array[44]
>   0.00000  -0.209757  -0.249368  -0.930353  -1.05059  -1.21623  -1.21693
-1.74758  -1.75778  -1.77888  -1.78749
>   -2.03075  -2.22571  -2.99081  -3.29190  -3.31060  -3.42393  -3.43413
-3.43844  -3.44364  -3.59758  -3.61648
>   -3.76892  -3.80183  -3.92147  -4.26676  -4.53263  -5.02637  -5.31455
-5.35194  -5.52650  -5.59132  -5.75987
>   -5.81128  -6.60440  -6.68362  -6.71653  -6.73373  -6.81295  -6.95529
-7.23017  -7.48834  -7.66608  -7.90535
>
> And the RATIO_CAT consist the lines from RATIO_STLINES (it is possible not all of them to be
in the RATIO_CAT)
>
> So RATIO_STLINES is lets say shifted respect to RATIO_CAT and I want to identify lines
based on their line ratios.
>
> I want to mention that I already made a working algorithm but I am 1000 % sure that the more
experienced people here can help me to make it much more elegant and efficient. Later on I have
a other problem on that I stuck but lets see can you help me on that and it is possible to solve it
my self... if not I will post again :(
>
>
> Here is the code:
>
> ;Finding the peak of each line on the spectrum:
>
> peak = peaks(1-chip,0.9) ; finding the peaks from JJohnson IDL.
> ddd = xaxis[peak] ;wavelengths of the finded lines.
> lines = chip[peak] ;depts of the finded lines.
> ;xx - HITRAN lines
> ;z1- VALD catalog wavelengths
> ;z2 - VALD catalog line depths
>
> ;Finding the relative distance between the HITRAN lines (nm):
> ratio=fltarr(n_elements(xx))

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>
> for j=0L, n_elements(xx)-1 do begin
>   ratio[j] = xx[0] - xx[j]
>   endfor
>
> ;Finding the relative distance between each line on the spectrum:
> ratio2=fltarr(n_elements(ddd))
>
> for jj=0L, n_elements(ddd)-1 do begin
>   ratio2[jj] = ddd[0] - ddd[jj]
>   endfor
>
> ;Finding the relative distance between the lines from the VALD catalog:
> ratio_vald=fltarr(n_elements(z1))
>
> for jjj=0L, n_elements(z1)-1 do begin
>   ratio_vald[jjj] = z1[0] - z1[jjj]
>   endfor
>
>
> ; Identify the telluric lines on the spectra. Only stellar lines will be left.
> telluric_depts = fltarr(n_elements(xx))
> telluric_waves = fltarr(n_elements(xx))
> stel_dep = []
> stel_wave = []
> stel_ra = []
> for jjj = 0L, n_elements(ratio2)-1 do begin
>   a = where((ratio GT (ratio2[jjj] - 0.05)) and (ratio LT (ratio2[jjj] + 0.05)),count)
>
>   if count gt 0d0 then begin
>     telluric_depts[a] = lines[jjj]
>     telluric_waves[a] = ddd[jjj]
>   endif
>
>   if count le 0d0 then begin
>     stel_dep =[stel_dep, lines[jjj]]
>     stel_wave =[stel_wave, ddd[jjj]]
>     ;stel_ra = [stel_ra,ratio2[jjj]]
>   endif
>
>   endfor
>
> ;Finding the relative distance between the lines that left from the science spectrum:
>
> ratio_stlines = fltarr(n_elements(stel_wave))
> for k = 0L, n_elements(stel_wave) - 1 do begin
>   ratio_stlines[k] = stel_wave[0] - stel_wave[k]
>   endfor

```

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>  
> And I will stop here because I have more problems below...  
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> Thank you very much in advance!

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