
Subject: Re: How to grid pixel level data where latitude and longitude are 2D arrays
Posted by [masterjediroyb](#) on Wed, 19 Jun 2013 20:58:57 GMT
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On Wednesday, June 19, 2013 4:41:29 PM UTC-4, David Fanning wrote:

> David Fanning writes:
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>> That is an awful lot of data points. I can see why there is some
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>> thrashing going on. Can you get this to work if you take some reasonably
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>> small number of random points from your data and worked with those?
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>> Maybe you are so oversampled, it won't make any difference. :-)
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> What if you used HIST_ND to bin up your lat/lon arrays, then looped
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> through each bin and used the reverse indices vector to select the data
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> values you want to use in each bin. Take the median value of the data
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> values as the value for the bin. That would take seconds, rather than
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> days.
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> Cheers,
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> David
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> Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.idlcoyote.com/>
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> Sepore ma de ni thue. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

I am not familiar with the HIST_ND routine, but I have used hist_2d to make frequency density plots before. I'm having trouble wrapping my head around what the call to hist_nd would be. The syntax is

```
hist=HIST_ND(V,[BINSIZE,MIN=,MAX=,NBINS=,REVERSE_INDICES=])
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and I have lat[409,13248],lon[409,13248],var[409,13248]. Would I call something like this:

```
hist_lat=hist_nd(lat,binsize=1,min=-90,max=90,reverse_indices=ri_lat)
and
hist_lon=hist_nd(lon,binsize=1,min=-180,max=180,reverse_indices=ri_lon)
```

and then I would loop through -90 to 90 for lat and select the median from the bin (and -180 to 180 for lon), which would leave me with 1D lat and lon arrays? I could then use these arrays with an interpolate command, thus avoiding griddata altogether? I apologize if I'm completely wrong in how I understand this.

As per your previous reply, I am currently running grid_input on my data, but it's been running for several hours. I have never tried using a tolerance keyword in triangulate, but I may try after grid_input finishes running. After reading the article above on usegriddata.html, is the key part of that article the use of the map_proj routines? (i.e., using map_proj_init and map_proj_forward on the lats and lons before passing them to triangulate?)

Thank you so much for your replies.
