
Subject: Re: How to grid pixel level data where latitude and longitude are 2D arrays
Posted by [dplatten](#) on Thu, 20 Jun 2013 11:00:40 GMT

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Hi David,

I've just read your reply about using HIST_ND instead of GRIDDATA. As a result I've rewritten a bit of GRIDDATA code that I've been using so that it now uses HIST_ND and the reverse indices. GRIDDATA used to take at least ten minutes to process my data files, whereas the new HIST_ND version takes about a second. Many thanks for your post!

David

On Wednesday, June 19, 2013 10:17:50 PM UTC+1, David Fanning wrote:

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> Hist_ND is JD Smith's routine (and so, written extremely well). If you
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> can't find a copy on his web page, you can find a copy (probably older)
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> in the Public folder of the Coyote Library. The real reason to use it
>
> here is that it returns the reverse indices for you. Hist_2D doesn't do
>
> that.
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> http://www.idlcoyote.com/programs/public/hist_nd.pro
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> I would bin your lat and lon arrays (at the same time!) using Hist_ND.
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> Then, I would loop through each bin (360*180 of them), using the indices
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> for that bin to select the data values you want to use in calculating
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> the single data value for that bin. I suppose you can do this part in
>
> various ways, but I would start by just getting the median value, I
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> think.
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> I don't know if that is the "key part", but I can't get my head around

>
> anything but rectangular grids, especially when it comes to map
>
> projections, so I do EVERYTHING in XY space, not lat/lon space. At least
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> then I can explain what I am doing to someone. And, yes, it makes it
>
> easier to form triangles when the points are not all bunched up in the
>
> same location. :-)
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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.")
