
Subject: Re: Adding x,y events to a 2d array (quickly)
Posted by [Dick Jackson](#) on Thu, 07 Nov 2013 22:20:15 GMT
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Phillip Bitzer wrote, On 2013-11-07, 12:16pm:

> On Thursday, November 7, 2013 1:27:00 PM UTC-6, Dick Jackson wrote:

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>> I seem to recall someone explaining this behaviour before, and thanks to

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>> Russell, I realize one good way of getting *part* of what you (reasonably!) want

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>> to do. If all of your 'e' values were equal, then you can find how many counts

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>> of each (x,y) pair exist by using Hist_ND:

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>> (http://tir.astro.utoledo.edu/idl/hist_nd.pro)

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>> IDL> Print, Hist_ND(Transpose([[1,1,2],[1,1,2]]), 1, Min=0)

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>> But, in general, to add a varying set of 'e' values to those (x,y) locations...

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>> I have to think a bit...

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> I've got you covered....

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> Oliver, reverse indices are your friend here, as Russell alluded to. Get the two-dimensional histogram, slightly modified from Dick's version:

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> h = HIST_ND([TRANSPOSE(x), TRANSPOSE(y)], 1, MIN=0, REVERSE_INDICES=ri)

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> Since you said you have large arrays, I transpose each individually, and then concatenate.

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> Now, go through the reverse indices:

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> totalE = FLTARR(SIZE(h, /DIM))

> FOR i=0, N_ELEMENTS(h)-1 do if h[i] GT 0 THEN totalE[i]= TOTAL(e[ri[ri[i]:ri[i+1]-1]])

>

> print, totalE

> 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000

> 0.00000 20.0000 0.00000

> 0.00000 0.00000 10.0000

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> This is the basic idea. It can be sped up by only looping over the elements of h with non-zero counts (as opposed to "skipping" them as I did here).

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> Here's some highly recommended reading on histograms:

http://www.idlcoyote.com/tips/histogram_tutorial.html

Histograms and reverse-indices are amazingly powerful and the right way to go in many tough problems, but I think Oliver is looking for a solution avoiding loops (I am too!). If a loop solution were OK, the last block here would be more direct, with no need for histograms:

```
x=[1,1,2]
y=[1,1,2]
e=[10,11,12]
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counts=fltarr(3,3)
counts(x,y)++
Print, 'counts:'
Print, counts ; Shows that three increments by 1 were done
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totalenergy=fltarr(3,3)
totalenergy(x,y)+=e
Print, 'totalenergy:'
Print, totalenergy ; It appears that only two increments by 10 were done
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totalenergy2=fltarr(3,3)
FOR i=0, N_Elements(x)-1 DO totalenergy2(x[i],y[i])+=e[i]
Print, 'totalenergy2:'
Print, totalenergy2 ; All three increments were done
```

... which gives us:

```
counts:
  0.000000  0.000000  0.000000
  0.000000  2.000000  0.000000
  0.000000  0.000000  1.000000
totalenergy:
  0.000000  0.000000  0.000000
  0.000000  11.0000  0.000000
  0.000000  0.000000  12.0000
totalenergy2:
  0.000000  0.000000  0.000000
  0.000000  21.0000  0.000000
  0.000000  0.000000  12.0000
```

Still looking for the "IDL way" (read: "ideal way") to do this...

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Cheers,
-Dick

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