
Subject: Re: correlation question

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Hi,

Sorry I didn't explain myself properly.

I'm looking for a IDL way to do this:

```
Similarity = fltarr(xs,us)
```

```
RefCurve = {array of n elements}
```

```
data = {array of xs,us,n elements}
```

```
for i=0,xs-1 do begin
```

```
  for j=0,ys-1 do begin
```

```
    Similarity = "correlation between reform(data[i,j,*]) and RefCurve"
```

```
  endfor
```

```
endfor
```

With correlation I mean a 1 if the two curves (arrays) are similar (e.g.two lines with slope 1), a zero (or -1) if the lines are perpendicular.

[Sorry, but I'm writing from a mobile device...]

By thresholding (e.g. at `gt 0.9`) the resulting Similarity image I can "see" where the evolution of the `[xs,ys]` slices in data resembles that of RefCurve.

Did I make myself clear? If not, I have to come up with a practical example... Sorry if my explanation is so poor.

Cheers, Helder
