
Subject: Re: help needed to make the program run faster

Posted by [Markus Schmassmann](#) on Mon, 12 Sep 2016 08:52:32 GMT

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On 09/12/2016 05:58 AM, sid wrote:

> On Friday, September 9, 2016 at 2:42:00 PM UTC+5:30, Markus Schmassmann wrote:

>> On 09/09/2016 08:04 AM, sid wrote:

>>> I need to read 500 fits files and do analysis for all this,

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>>> So im doing like this,

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>>> file=file_search('*.fts')

>>> nn=n_elements(file)

>>> for ii=0,nn-1 do begin

>>> img=readfits(file(ii),h)

>>> ----

>>> ---some analysis----

>>>

>>> endfor

>>> end

>>>

>>> in the analysis part also i have some for loops so the program takes so much time to process this job.

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>>> So can anybody let me know whether any other faster methods are there to do this.

>> - use PROFILER and/or TIC & TOC to figure out what part of your code is slow

>> - remove loops by vectorising

>> - if all fits-images have the same dimensions and header structures you

>> can put all into one array and then do analysis on all images at once, e.g.:

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>> file=file_search('*.fts')

>> nn=n_elements(file)

>> img0=readfits(file(0),h0)

>> img=fltarr([size(img0,/dim),nn])

>> img[*,*,0]=temporary(img0)

>> h=strarr([size(h0,/dim),nn])

>> h[*,0]=temporary(h0)

>> for i=1,nn-1 do begin

>> img[*,*,i]=readfits(file(i),hi)

>> h[*,i]=hi

>> endfor

>>

>> ---some analysis----

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>> - not knowing what analysis you do it is difficult to tell how to speed

>> it up, but using, WHERE, SORT, UNIQ, HISTOGRAM, VALUE_LOCATE and the

>> like sometimes makes it a lot faster

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>> Good luck, Markus

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>> [1] <http://www.harrisgeospatial.com/docs/PROFILER.html>

>> [2] http://www.idlcoyote.com/code_tips/slowloops.html

>> [3] <http://www.harrisgeospatial.com/docs/WHERE.html>

>> [4] <http://www.harrisgeospatial.com/docs/SORT.html>

>> [5] <http://www.harrisgeospatial.com/docs/UNIQ.html>

>> [6] <http://www.harrisgeospatial.com/docs/HISTOGRAM.html>

>> [7] http://www.harrisgeospatial.com/docs/VALUE_LOCATE.html

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> Thanks for the info,

> Actually the main problem im facing is im using where function and

> for example if im searching where(image(*,i) gt threshold,count=c)

> for some rows counts will be zero,

> so in that case im using if statement, that way my program becomes much slow.

> Is there any way to get out of this problem.

depending on the analysis you make, you can use

`image[where(image(*,i) gt threshold,/null),i]`

which is !null for rows with count 0. If you can get it work without throwing an error, you should be fine
