
Subject: Re: I would like to average the first n columns based on duplicate values of the n+1th column

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>> Am Dienstag, 4. Oktober 2016 12:32:48 UTC+2 schrieb Markus Schmassmann:

>>> On 10/03/2016 11:05 PM, belkaraza@web.de wrote:

>>>> Can Someone help me solve this problem in IDL:

>>>> "I have a matrix with duplicate numbers in one of the columns. I

>>>> would

>>>> like to average the rows with duplicate numbers. For example, I have

>>>> duplicate values in a matrix A in column 3:

>>>> A =

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>>>>  1      2      1
>>>>  4      4      2
>>>>  5      4      2
>>>>  4      5      2
>>>>  5      5      3
>>>> 10      3      3
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>>>> B =

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>>>>  1      2      1
>>>> 4.3333  4.3333  2.0000
>>>> 7.5000  4.0000  3.0000
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>>>>

>>>> where each row is the average values of the duplicate rows of column 3.

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>>>> Can anyone help?"

>>>>

>>>> found here:

>>>> <http://stackoverflow.com/questions/15270019/i-would-like-to-average-the-first-n-columns-based-on-duplicate-values-of-the-n1>

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>>> if isa(A,/integer) then begin

>>> h=histogram(A[2,*],reverse_indices=ri)

>>> idx=where(h ne 0,n)

>>> B=fltarr(3,n)

>>> for i=0,n-1 do begin

>>> if ri[idx[i]] eq ri[idx[i]+1]-1 then \$

>>> B[0,i]=A[* ,ri[ri[idx[i]]:ri[idx[i]+1]-1]] else \$

>>> B[0,i]=mean(A[* ,ri[ri[idx[i]]:ri[idx[i]+1]-1]],dim=2)

>>> endfor

>>> endif else

>>> values=A[2,uniq(A[2,*],sort(A[2,*]))]

>>> ; if A[2,*] is already sorted, A[2,uniq(A[2,*])] is sufficient there

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>>> n=n_elements(values)
>>> B=fltarr(3,n)
>>> for i=0,n-1 do begin
>>>     w=where(A[2,*] eq values[i],cnt)
>>>     if w cnt 1 then B[0,i]=A[*,where(A[2,*] eq values[i])] else $
>>>         B[0,i]=mean(A[*,where(A[2,*] eq values[i])],dim=2,/nan)
>>>     endfor
>>> endelse
>> Hey, thanks for the answer. The last if loop is bugged. if w cnt 1 then B[0,i]
>> Can't see how to fix that
> Ok fixed it with "if w[cnt] eq 1 then B[0,i]"
> Again thanks alot for your help ;)
if cnt eq 1 then ...

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this is to avoid errors of the following type:

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IDL> print, mean([0,1,2],dim=2)
% MEAN: Illegal keyword value for DIMENSION.

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but if A is an integer type array, that loop does not matter anyway

depending on whether A contains non-integer values, you can choose which part of the outer if/then/else you want to keep
