Subject: Re: Pixel positions passing trough a curve Posted by Markus Schmassmann on Tue, 11 Oct 2016 14:43:20 GMT

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On 10/11/2016 04:30 PM, miguelfigueirasebastiao@gmail.com wrote:

- > On 10/11/2016 02:36 PM, miguelfigueirasebastiao@gmail.com wrote:
- >> I am trying to construct a program that produces a
- >> position-velocity diagram whose shape can be fitted by a certain
- >> equation (and plotted).

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- >> I wanted to know if it was possible to obtain somehow the pixels
- >> position trough a path I choose. For example, I draw a line (in
- >> ds9) from (0,0) to (10,0) and I want to know which pixels represent
- >> the line. In this case, the program would give (0,0), (1,0),
- >> (2,0),...,(10,0). The thing is that I want to draw an arbitrary
- >> path (not necesarily in ds9) and get automatically the points.

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- >> For the moment, I put a circle, in ds9, in each pixel of the path
- >> and obtain the list of pixel positions and saving the region in xy
- >> format.
- >> I use this catalogue as an input of my program. If there is
- >> a way to do it automatically (or some ideas) or an already existing
- >> program, I would like to know more.
- > Thank you for your answer but maybe it is not completely what I want
- > (except if I use very simple path)

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- > In your program, I have to give the coordinates of the beginning and
- > end of the segments but if my path is complicated (ellipsis or
- > multi-segment path) it seems to be better to make directly the list
- > on ds9.

- > In other words, is it possible to draw a curved line and obtain the
- > pixels passing through this curve?

brute force approach:

- export the curve into a graphic (pixels not vector) without axes (either plot a line or use sufficient dots to cover the line)
- import into an IDL array

IDL> w=where(array ne 0)

IDL> ari=array_indices(array,w)