
Subject: Index of a sector

Posted by [Pavel A. Romashkin](#) on Wed, 04 Apr 2001 23:18:11 GMT

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...
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I thought to try to cut all corners and use IDLanROI, but for some reason, I think that JD or Craig have the answer ready. Besides, David tried anROI... how can I dream of succeeding where the Titan (read: Coyote) failed?

Thanks,
Pavel

Subject: Re: Index of a sector

Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Thu, 05 Apr 2001 18:42:34 GMT

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"Pavel A. Romashkin" <pavel.romashkin@noaa.gov> writes:

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Complex geometric selections can be easy if you do the right thing.
Pavel, I'm sure that Med's suggestion can work for you but I thought I would expand on it a little more for the general case.

You start by labelling your pixels in X and Y. You might have physical labels attached to each pixel, or they could just be pixel numbers.

```
x = findgen(200) & y = findgen(200) ;; Just an example here!
```

Now expand these vectors into matrices along their respective axes:

```
xx = x # (fltarr(200)+1) ;; Now XX labels every pixel in image  
yy = (fltarr(200)+1) # y  ;; as does YY
```

Now compute anything you want in this coordinate system, say radius:

```
rr = sqrt(xx^2 + yy^2)    ;; could compute theta as, th = atan(yy, xx)
```

And then do your selection:

```
wh = where(rr LE 50 AND xx GE 0 AND yy GE 0)
```

You are done. As you can see you can form very complex expressions involving the radius and angle, and if you have multiple centers this can be accomodated too. The above expansions of X into XX and Y into YY are also the basis of fitting images in MPFIT2DFUN.

Good luck,
Craig

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Subject: Was: Index... Now: Vectorize, huh?
Posted by [Pavel A. Romashkin](#) on Thu, 05 Apr 2001 19:24:25 GMT
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Craig and Med,

I appreciate it! This is exactly what I needed. My problem is the lack of matrix operations knowledge. Craig's generic solution is exactly what I expected to see from Craig :-)

By the way. We all are big on vectorizing things in IDL. But look at this:

```
IDL> a = test(2000)
      1.4968959
IDL> a = test(2000, /v)
      3.2976190
```

where TEST is below. I don't even mention that /VEC causes extremely high memory usage and gets totally out of hand on my system if S > 5000 or so.

```
.*****
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pro test, s, vec=vec
start = systime(1)
x = findgen(s)
a = fltarr(s, s)
if keyword_set(vec) then begin
a = sqrt(transpose(rebin(x, s, s))^2 + rebin(x, s, s)^2)
endif else begin
for i = 0, s-1 do begin
a[0, i] = sqrt(x^2 + i^2.)
endfor
endelse
print, systime(1) - start
;return, a
end
.*****
,
```
