
Subject: Re: Fast Implementation
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 05 Jul 2002 16:22:56 GMT
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Cheers,

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Subject: Re: Fast Implementation
Posted by [Pavel A. Romashkin](#) on Fri, 05 Jul 2002 17:06:02 GMT
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David, I envy you. Your busy time ended in 44 minutes (10:22 first post,
11:06 the second). Obviously, you need to help me with that foundation
now :-)

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Pavel

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> y = (randomu(seed, 1000) - 0.5) * 100
> Plot, x, y, /NoData
> Oplot, x, y, Psym=4
>
> xx = Scale_Vector(x, 0, 0.9999999)
> yy = Scale_Vector(y, 0, 0.9999999)
> result = Hist_2D(xx, yy, Bin1 = 0.5, Bin2=0.5, $
>   Min1=0, Max1=1.0, Min2=0, Max2=1.0)
> print, result[0:1, 0:1]
> END
> *****
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> You can find the Scale_Vector program on my web page:
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>   http://www.dfanning.com/programs/scale_vector.pro
>
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Posted by [Dick Jackson](#) on Fri, 05 Jul 2002 17:48:30 GMT

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news:[ag4fjt\\$j6a@newton.cc.rl.ac.uk](mailto:ag4fjt$j6a@newton.cc.rl.ac.uk)...

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David's approach may be just what you're looking for, but if you need the results to be identical to what you gave (using GT and LT will not count points that are *equal* to the test value), the code below shows the time taken and checks that the result is still correct! I get better than 2x speedup over your original on arrays up to 5000 items.

I used two tricks here:

- you don't need the indexes returned by Where, so just use Total
- create partial results (binary arrays for X gt x0, etc.) and reuse them

=====

PRO QuadrantCount

n1 = 1000

n2 = 1000

x = RandomU(seed, n1)

y = RandomU(seed, n1)

:: Method 1

points = FltArr(n1, 4)

Print, 'Starting method 1...'

t0 = SysTime(1)

for j=0L,n1-1 do begin

 x0=X(j)

 y0=Y(j)

 index=where(X gt x0 and Y gt y0,count1)

 index=where(X lt x0 and Y gt y0,count2)

 index=where(X lt x0 and Y lt y0,count3)

 index=where(X gt x0 and Y lt y0,count4)

 na=count1

 nb=count2

 nc=count3

 nd=count4

 points(j,0:3)=float([na,nb,nc,nd])/n2

endfor

Print, SysTime(1)-t0, ' seconds'

:: Method 2 - don't use Where, use Total

```
points2 = FltArr(n1, 4)
```

```
Print, 'Starting method 2...'
```

```
t0 = SysTime(1)
```

```
for j=0L,n1-1 do begin
```

```
  x0=X(j)
```

```
  y0=Y(j)
```

```
  na=Total(X gt x0 and Y gt y0)
```

```
  nb=Total(X lt x0 and Y gt y0)
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```

```
  nd=Total(X gt x0 and Y lt y0)
```

```
  points2(j,0:3)=float([na,nb,nc,nd])/n2
```

```
endfor
```

```
Print, SysTime(1)-t0, ' seconds'
```

```
Print, Total(points2 NE points), ' errors'
```

:: Method 3 - create partial results and reuse them

```
points3 = FltArr(n1, 4)
```

```
Print, 'Starting method 3...'
```

```
t0 = SysTime(1)
```

```
for j=0L,n1-1 do begin
```

```
  x0=X(j)
```

```
  y0=Y(j)
```

```
  xl = X lt x0
```

```
  xg = X gt x0
```

```
  yl = Y lt y0
```

```
  yg = Y gt y0
```

```
  na=Total(xg AND yg)
```

```
  nb=Total(xl AND yg)
```

```
  nc=Total(xl AND yl)
```

```
  nd=Total(xg AND yl)
```

```
  points3(j,0:3)=float([na,nb,nc,nd])/n2
```

endfor

Print, SysTime(1)-t0, ' seconds'

Print, Total(points3 NE points), ' errors'

END

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Hope this helps!

Cheers,

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-Dick

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Posted by [Sven Geier](#) on Tue, 09 Jul 2002 21:45:43 GMT

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I am tacitly assuming here that you are using reals or doubles, i.e. there is rarely ever an event with the exact same $X[]$ or $Y[]$ as another (right? wrong?)

Step one: If you sort your arrays according to one of the coordinates, the answer for that coordinate will just be the index:

```

Xs = sort(X)
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Yn = Y[Ys]

```

Then $X[i]$ has $(i-1)$ other points with $X < X[i]$

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