
Subject: Re: Random convolution ?

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Thu, 08 Jul 2004 14:30:38 GMT

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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Thu, 08 Jul 2004 15:20:43 GMT

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No, I didn't run into memory limits. I have 1GByte of RAM
and 2 GByte of virtual memory on this machine.

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Posted by [R.G. Stockwell](#) on Thu, 08 Jul 2004 17:21:38 GMT

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news:ccjkta\$061\$1@news.cict.fr...

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Hi,

here are my results, (win2000 idl 6.0, 512mb ram, 1gb swap,
usage peaked at ~750 mb)

Weird!

% Compiled module: \$MAIN\$.

IDL> .GO

112.00000
112.00000
0.00000000
IDL> .GO
0.00000000
0.00000000
0.00000000

I haven't even looked into it, i might have some time tomorrow.

Cheers,
bob

Subject: Re: Random convolution ?
Posted by [K. Bowman](#) on Thu, 08 Jul 2004 20:28:15 GMT
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In article <MPG.1b57087d5ec808c9897cb@news.frii.com>,
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Hmm, me too.

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IDL> @convol_test
0.0000000
0.0000000
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Ken Bowman

Subject: Re: Random convolution ?
Posted by [Chris\[2\]](#) on Thu, 08 Jul 2004 22:30:20 GMT
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Hi Emmanuel and Bob,

Can you tell me your IDL version and platform? And also whether you have multiple CPUs on your machine? The following IDL commands should give this information:

```
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{ x86 Win32 Windows Microsoft Windows 6.0 Jun 27 2003 32 64}
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** Structure !CPU, 6 tags, length=24, data length=24:
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-Chris Torrence
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Subject: Re: Random convolution ?

Posted by [Emmanuel Christophe](#) on Fri, 09 Jul 2004 06:03:21 GMT

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Hi

Here are the information about the system where convol bug:

```
IDL> print, !version
{ sparc sunos unix Solaris 6.0.3 Feb 26 2004    32    64}
IDL> help, !cpu, /struct
** Structure !CPU, 6 tags, length=24, data length=24:
  HW_VECTOR      LONG      0
  VECTOR_ENABLE  LONG      0
  HW_NCPU        LONG      3
  TPOOL_NTHREADS LONG      3
  TPOOL_MIN_ELTS LONG    100000
  TPOOL_MAX_ELTS LONG      0
IDL>
```

On another system, same version, same operating system, but more memory and only 2 CPUs, everything seems to be fine.

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Posted by [R.G. Stockwell](#) on Fri, 09 Jul 2004 15:25:55 GMT
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news:10erieidmldig88@corp.supernews.com...

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Hi Chris,
I have not come across any other cases that have failed.
Here is the info from my system (Dell Inspiron 8100 - Laptop):
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{ x86 Win32 Windows Microsoft Windows 6.0 Jun 27 2003 32 64}

IDL> help, !cpu, /struct

** Structure !CPU, 6 tags, length=24, data length=24:

HW_VECTOR LONG 0

VECTOR_ENABLE LONG 0

HW_NCPU LONG 1

TPOOL_NTHREADS LONG 1

TPOOL_MIN_ELTS LONG 100000

TPOOL_MAX_ELTS LONG 0

-bob stockwell
