
Subject: Re: Need hint to use FOR loops using 3-D arrays
Posted by [Paolo Grigis](#) on Mon, 11 Jun 2007 15:30:36 GMT
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alexcardesin-IDL@yahoo.com wrote:

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When you are dealing with next neighbours on arrays,
you can use the SHIFT function to get them all at
the same time in one array.

Ciao,
Paolo

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> size_elem=size(cube)
> ns=size_elem[1]
> nb=size_elem[2]
> nl=size_elem[3]
> level=2. ; this is a hardcoded value
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> tot_pixels=double(ns*nb*nl)
> c1d=0
> c1n=0
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> ; Evil LOOP
> FOR l=0,nl-1 do begin
> frame=CUBE[*,* ,l)
> neighbor=fltarr(9)
> for s=0,ns-1 do begin
> for b=0,nb-1 do begin
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> neighbor[1]=frame[0 > (s-1), b]
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> neighbor[6]=frame[ s ,(nb-1) < (b+1)]
> neighbor[7]=frame[ 0 > (s-1),(nb-1) < (b+1)]
> neighbor[8]=frame[(ns-1) < (s+1),(nb-1) < (b+1)]
> neighbor_sort=neighbor[sort(neighbor)]
> stdev=(neighbor_sort[7]-neighbor_sort[1])/2.
> if (frame[s,b] gt neighbor_sort[4]+level*stdev) or $
> (frame[s,b] lt neighbor_sort[4]-level*stdev) then begin
> cube[s,b,l]=neighbor_sort[4]
> c1d=c1d+1.
> endif
> endfor
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> thanks, alex
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Subject: Re: Need hint to use FOR loops using 3-D arrays
 Posted by [airy.jiang](#) on Tue, 12 Jun 2007 10:43:16 GMT
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On 6/11/07, 11:14 AM, alexcardesin-...@yahoo.com wrote:

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Use less array operation,and less nesting.And i agree with Paolo that using the Shift function.That's my suggestion.I hope it's useful.