## Subject: Re: Help requested in eradicating FOR loops Posted by Vince Hradil on Fri, 14 Dec 2007 16:24:29 GMT

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On Dec 14, 10:06 am, dplat...@gmail.com wrote:
> Dear IDL users,
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      I would really appreciate some help in removing a nested FOR loop.
>
      FOR x=0, image width-1 DO BEGIN
                           FOR y=0, image_height-1 DO BEGIN
>
                                             ; Write the current pixel value
>
                                             results[(x*mtf_region_height)+y, 1] = image[x,y]
>
                                             ; Calculate the distance of the current pixel from the
>
> line defined
> by the
                                             ; two points (x1, y1) and (x2, y2).
>
                                             results[(x^*image\_height)+y, 0] = ((y1-y2)^*x + (x2-y)^*x + (y1-y2)^*x + (y2-y)^*x + (y1-y2)^*x + (y1-y2)
> x1)*y + (x1*y2 -
> x2*y1) ) / SQRT( (x2-x1)<sup>2</sup> + (y2-y1)<sup>2</sup> )
                           ENDFOR
> ENDFOR
> 'image' is a 2d image array
> I want to work out the distance of each pixel from a line that is
> defined by the two points (x1, y1), (x2, y2) and store this distance,
> together with the pixel value in a 'results' array. The 'results'
> array has the dimensions [(image height*image width), 2].
>
      The above bit of code works but is a bit slow.
> Any advice would be much appreciated.
>
> Thanks,
>
> David
> Northampton, UK
Off the top of my head:
1-reform the points to match the size of the image: x1 =
reform(x1,image height,image width)
2-make in "index" array: idx = findgen(image_height,image_width)
3-make x-index and y-index arrays: x = idx mod image_height & y = idx/
image_height (or maybe those should be image_width?)
4-do the calculation: distance = ((y_1-y_2)^*x + (x_2-x_1)^*y + (x_1^*y_2-x_1^*)^*x + 
x2*y1) ) / SQRT( (x2-x1)^2 + (y2-y1)^2 )
5-put together the results matrix: results =
[[reform(image,image height*image width)],[distance]] (I'd have to
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## Subject: Re: Help requested in eradicating FOR loops Posted by dplatten on Tue, 18 Dec 2007 11:00:45 GMT

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- > Off the top of my head:
- > 1-reform the points to match the size of the image: x1 =
- > reform(x1,image\_height,image\_width)
- > 2-make in "index" array: idx = findgen(image height,image width)
- > 3-make x-index and y-index arrays: x = idx mod image\_height & y = idx/
- > image height (or maybe those should be image width?)
- > 4-do the calculation: distance = ( (y1-y2)\*x + (x2-x1)\*y + (x1\*y2-
- > x2\*y1) ) / SQRT( (x2-x1)^2 + (y2-y1)^2 )
- > 5-put together the results matrix: results =
- > [[reform(image,image\_height\*image\_width)],[distance]] (I'd have to
- > check the brackets, I always do)

Thanks for the reply - as I understand it I need to make an array to hold x pixel positions and one to hold y pixel positions. For a 4 x 6 array they would look like this:

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x locations: [0,1,2,3, 0,1,2,3, 0,1,2,3, 0,1,2,3, 0,1,2,3] y locations: [0,0,0,0, 1,1,1,1, 2,2,2,2, 3,3,3,3, 4,4,4,4, 5,5,5,5]
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I can make the x array by doing this:

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test_image = findgen(4, 6); a dummy test "image"
temp = findgen(4 * 6)
x locations = temp mod 4
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but I am having problems creating the y locations array. Some help would be appreciated.

Thanks, David