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Posted by wlandsman on Fri, 15 Aug 2008 14:28:31 GMT
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Thanks Wayne, that function helped me decrease times by half and provided me with some code if I want to implement it in GPUs.