
Subject: Re: Getting array indices
Posted by [Brian Larsen](#) on Tue, 23 Sep 2008 20:41:43 GMT
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Interesting what you learn when you dig into a routine...

```
array_indices.pro
<<snip>>
for d=ndim-1, 1, -1 do begin
    ; Remove indices from even higher dimensions.
    if (d lt ndim-1) then $
        temp mod= dimProduct[d]
    ; Indices for higher dimensions.
    result[d, *] = temp/dimProduct[d-1]
endfor
<</snip>>
```

of course some people say that all you get when you dig that deep is
dirty :)

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Subject: Re: Getting array indices
Posted by [pgrigis](#) on Tue, 23 Sep 2008 20:47:26 GMT
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On Sep 23, 4:23 pm, Vince Hradil <hrad...@yahoo.com> wrote:
> On Sep 23, 12:53 pm, Jean H <jghas...@DELTHIS.ucalgary.ANDTHIS.ca>
> wrote:
>
>>> Here's a way to get verts:
>
>>> sz = size(array)
>>> nx = sz[0]
>>> ny = sz[1]
>>> nz = sz[2]
>>> ns = sz[sz[0]+2]
>>> verts = findgen(ns)
>
>> Shouldn't it be indgen() ...
>

```
>>> verts = transpose([ [verts mod nx], [verts/nx mod ny], [verts/nx/
>>> ny] ])
>
>>> BTW, I'd like to find a faster way, if there is one.
>
>> what about this:
>> print, array_indices(arr, indgen(ns))
>
>> Jean
>
> That takes about twice as long as the "MOD" method on my machine:
> x86_64 Win32 Windows Microsoft Windows 7.0 Oct 25 2007 64 64
```

Because of "indgen(ns)" or because of array_indices?

Paolo

Subject: Re: Getting array indices
Posted by [Jean H.](#) on Tue, 23 Sep 2008 21:07:53 GMT
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> That takes about twice as long as the "MOD" method on my machine:
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Interesting... indeed, for small arrays, it is about the same speed...
but the mod method is much faster on bigger arrays! (same speed with the
/dim keyword or not, 'verts' is used in both methods, so there is no
penalty for re-creating the index array)

Jean

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Posted by [Brian Larsen](#) on Tue, 23 Sep 2008 21:17:46 GMT
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> Because of "indgen(ns)" or because of array_indices?

Because of array_indices according to this test:

```
;; .run test.pro
array = findgen(15, 3)
ind_in = lindgen(n_elements(array))
```

```
t1 = systime(/sec)
FOR i = 0UL, 1e5 DO BEGIN
  ind = array_indices(array, ind_in
```

```
ENDFOR
print, systime(/sec)-t1

t1 = systime(/sec)
FOR i = 0UL, 1e5 DO BEGIN
  sz = size(array)
  nx = sz[1]
  ny = sz[2]
  verts = lindgen(nx*ny)
  verts = transpose( [ [verts mod nx], [verts/nx] ] )
ENDFOR
print, systime(/sec)-t1
END
```

```
IDL> .run test
% Compiled module: $MAIN$.
  1.2473059
  0.50232387
IDL> print, !version
{ i386 darwin unix Mac OS X 6.4.1 Sep 25 2007    32    64}
```

For closure I whipped this together into a quick function
all_array_indices.pro so I don't have to remember how to do this
again.
http://people.bu.edu/balarsen/IDLdoc/all_array_indices.html

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