
Subject: reversing calculation order
Posted by [rclark](#) on Mon, 24 Apr 1995 07:00:00 GMT
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Still working on the other 999 lines.

Subject: Re: reversing calculation order
Posted by [Fergus Gallagher](#) on Thu, 04 May 1995 07:00:00 GMT
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rclark@phantasos.lpl.arizona.edu (Richard Clark) wrote:

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Vector elements can be accessed with other vectors, e.g.,

```
IDL> x = fltarr(n)
IDL> i = n-1-indgen(n)
```

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IDL> y = cumulative_sum(x(i)) ; made-function that is order dependent
IDL> z = y(i) ; reverse it again
```

As an additional point, any function enclosed in () becomes a vector, so that the above could have been abbreviated to

```
IDL> y = (cumulative_sum(x(i)))(i)
```

Mind you, ROTATE is pretty fast.....

Fergus

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Subject: Re: reversing calculation order
Posted by [amaravad](#) on Fri, 05 May 1995 07:00:00 GMT
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Is there an IDLized way to compute the cummulative sum of an array.

```
func=findgen(N)
cumm_sum=fltarr(N)
for i=0,N-1 do cumm_sum(i)=total(func(0:i))
```

How can I eliminate the for loop in the above code.

thanks

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