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Don

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Subject: Re: Sum to Arrays  
Posted by [mole](#) on Fri, 19 May 1995 07:00:00 GMT  
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Fergus Gallagher (F.Gallagher@nerc.ac.uk) wrote:  
: phrje@csv.warwick.ac.uk (Prof. Don McK Paul) wrote:  
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: >1d array. Is there any way to accomplish this without using FOR loops.  
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: The total function has an optional second argument, the dimension to sum  
: over, e.g.,

: IDL> x = total(y,2)

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I want CENTROIDS, FAST!!! I'm stuck with :

x = fltarr(m)  
for i=0,n do x = TOTAL(y(\*,i) \* findgen(n+1))

any ideas???

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Subject: Re: Sum to Arrays  
Posted by [steinhh](#) on Sat, 20 May 1995 07:00:00 GMT  
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In article <moleD8uArz.DFG@netcom.com>, mole@netcom.com (Aaron Birenboim) writes:  
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I don't get it. Why x=fltarr(m), and then set x equal to a scalar n+1 times over? Why findgen(n+1) ?

Anyway, here are centroids for you:

Given e.g., I(x,y), an M x N array:

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X = REBIN(REFORM(FINDGEN(M),M,1,/OVERWRITE),M,N,/SAMPLE) ; Gives you X(x,y)
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CTROIDS_X = TOTAL(I*X,1)/TOTAL(I,1) ; Gives an array of the centroids  
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CTROID_X = TOTAL(I*X)/TOTAL(I) ; Gives the X Centroid coordinate  
; of the whole array.
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;----- or, for Y centroids
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Y = REBIN(REFORM(FINDGEN(N),1,N,/OVERWRITE),M,N,/SAMPLE) ; Gives you Y(x,y)
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CTROIDS_Y = TOTAL(I*Y,2)/TOTAL(I,2) ; Gives an array of Y centroids...
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CTROID_Y = TOTAL(I*Y)/TOTAL(I) ; Gives the Y Centroid.
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All vectorized. For some types of applications you should add something small before dividing with the TOTAL(I,...), to avoid division with zero, e.g., ...../(TOTAL(I,1)+1e-22)

Stein Vidar

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Subject: Re: Sum to Arrays

Posted by [mole](#) on Tue, 23 May 1995 07:00:00 GMT

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Stein Vidar Hagfors Haugan (steinhh@amon.uio.no) wrote:

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oops... I meant:

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x = fltarr(n)
for i=0,n-1 do x(i) = TOTAL(y(*,i) * findgen(m))

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get the idea? Weight each column of y by its index and then total

also... I'm trying to be portable between PV-Wave and IDL, so I cannot use the 2 argument total. (I just found that out)

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