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Subject: Re: speed-up computation of kernel-based "statistics"

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On Wednesday, April 18, 2012 5:28:28 AM UTC-4, lbusett wrote:

> Hi all,

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> I have two large (20000\*20000 ) images. The first one is a  
> classification, with discrete values from 1 to 10, while the second  
> one contains values of a variable of interest. For each pixel, I have  
> to compute the 5th and the 95th percentile of the values of the  
> variable in a 801\*801 window (centered on the selected pixel), for the  
> pixels of the same class of the center pixel.

>

Hi,

It looks like you are doing a lot of ordering and sorting - IDL's histogram function can really help you here. Let's call the two 801x801 subsets "class" and "data".

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; first compute the histogram of your class info.
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; Make sure that you are using the data type of 'class' to define min and max.
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```
h = histogram(class, min = 1, max = 10, reverse_indices = ri)
```

```
; now use David Fanning's REVERSE_INDICES to get the pixel locations for pixels
```

```
; that have the same class as your 'selected pixel'
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```
selectedPixel = 3 ; suppose your center pixel is class=3
```

```
; the histogram bin values were specified as 1,2,3,4, ... 10 which means the
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```
; selected pixel class value can be used as an index into the histogram
```

```
idx = reverse_indices(ri, selectedPixel - 1, count = n)
```

```
; I think n has to be at least one (for the selected pixel)
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```
; now collect those pixels from your 'data' subset - they'll have the same pixel
```

```
; addresses
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```
d = data[idx]
```

I don't have IDL in front of me just now so I could have botched part of it. From here your next step is to order d and find your quantiles. I'm a bit fuzzy on this part but maybe something like this...

```
ds = d[sort(d)]
```

```
ix = n*[0.05, 0.95] ; n is from above, the count of elements in d
```

```
p = ds[ix] ; so p should have the values for 5th and 95th quantiles.
```

Cheers,  
Ben

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