
Subject: Re: IDL 8.2, read pixel value along a surface
Posted by [Helder Marchetto](#) on Tue, 21 May 2013 14:44:49 GMT
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On Tuesday, May 21, 2013 4:20:25 PM UTC+2, a.clo...@gmail.com wrote:

> Hello Everyone !
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> I use IDL 8.2 and my problem is the following :
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> I have a FITS Image that i know how to read. I choose 2 points and read the pixel value along
the line between them.
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> My problem is, i want to do the same (i.e read the pixel value) but along a surface , (the same
line but with some pixel wide)
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> I thought of using interpol, and add several one but it seems to be very long.
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> Any ideas ?
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> thanks !

Hi,

I've done this and I have seen two approaches. In my case, I construct all the pixel values that would be on the line (surface) of a given width using the same pixel interval as the raw data, then I interpolate. It might sound not very efficient, but IDL is good if you work with arrays.

The other approach is to rotate the image around one of the two reference points and then cut a section of the image.

The two methods differ slightly depending in the performance. If I remember correctly, the rotation method is slightly slower for "thin" surfaces and comparable for thicker regions.

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The procedure below can actually calculate a given line made of more than two points. The input parameters should be:

Img: n x m image

Pts: 2 x p points in the form [[Pt0x,Pt0y],[Pt1x,Pt1x],[Pt2x,Pt2x],...]

InWidth: Pixel width

The averaged values will be returned in xRes, yRes

You can test the procedure like this:

```
;Test code
a=dist(400)
pts = [[0.0,0.0],[300.0,300.0]]
w = 10
GetCS_Image, a, pts, w, xres=x, yres=y
plot, x,y
;*****
;
```

Here is the code:

```
PRO GetCS_Image, Img, Pts, InWidth, Distances = Distances, $
    xRes = xRes, yRes=yRes, PosRef=PosRef ;Output variables

IF N_ELEMENTS(InWidth) EQ 0 THEN Width=1.0 ELSE Width= ((ROUND(InWidth) MOD 2) NE
1 ) ? (FLOAT(InWidth+1.0)>1.0) : (FLOAT(InWidth)>1.0)
IF N_ELEMENTS(Img) EQ 0 THEN Message, 'GetCS_Image: Please supply an image',
/NoName
IF N_ELEMENTS(Pts) LT 4 THEN Message, 'GetCS_Image: Please supply two points for the
cross-section', /NoName

FltHalfWidth = (Width-1.0) / 2.0
nPoints      = (SIZE(Pts, /DIMENSIONS))[1]
nLines       = nPoints-1
FloatPts     = FLOAT(Pts)
ShiftedFloatPts = SHIFT(FloatPts,0,-1)
Distances    = SQRT(TOTAL(((ShiftedFloatPts-FloatPts)[*,0:(nLines-1)])^2, 1))
CumulDistances = TOTAL(Distances,/CUMULATIVE)
WidthArr     = FINDGEN(Width)
OnesArr      = WidthArr*0.0+1.0
Angle        = ATAN((shiftedfloatpts-FloatPts)[1,0:-2],(shiftedfloatpts-Flo atPts)[0,0:-2])
NormAngle    = Angle+!PI/2.
CosNormAngle = COS(NormAngle)
SinNormAngle = SIN(NormAngle)
CosAngle     = COS(Angle)
SinAngle     = SIN(Angle)
CeiledDist   = CEIL(Distances)
FOR I=0,nLines-1 DO BEGIN
    xNorm = (WidthArr-FltHalfWidth)*CosNormAngle[I]+FloatPts[0,I]
    yNorm = (WidthArr-FltHalfWidth)*SinNormAngle[I]+FloatPts[1,I]
    xNorm = xNorm # (FLTARR(CeiledDist[I])+1.0)
    yNorm = yNorm # (FLTARR(CeiledDist[I])+1.0)
    xlocArr = OnesArr # FINDGEN(CeiledDist[I])*CosAngle[I]
    ylocArr = OnesArr # FINDGEN(CeiledDist[I])*SinAngle[I]
    profile = TOTAL(INTERPOLATE(Img, xlocArr+xNorm, ylocArr+yNorm, CUBIC=-0.5,
MISSING=0.0),1)/Width
    IF I EQ 0 THEN BEGIN
        nPos = N_ELEMENTS(Profile)
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xRes = LIST(FINDGEN(nPos), /EXTRACT)
yRes = LIST(Profile, /EXTRACT)
PosRef = LIST(nPos)
ENDIF ELSE BEGIN
  nPos = N_ELEMENTS(Profile)
  xRes.Add, FINDGEN(nPos)+CumulDistances[l-1], /EXTRACT
  yRes.Add, Profile, /EXTRACT
  PosRef.Add, nPos+PosRef[l-1]
ENDELSE
ENDFOR
xRes = xRes.ToArray()
yRes = yRes.ToArray()
PosRef = PosRef.ToArray()
END
```

Hope it helps. Let me know if you have improvements... I once in a while use this.

Cheers,
Helder

Subject: Re: IDL 8.2, read pixel value along a surface
Posted by [a.clovirola](#) on Tue, 21 May 2013 15:02:40 GMT
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thanks for the fast answer,

I am going to test it and go back to see how it works for me :)

cheers

Subject: Re: IDL 8.2, read pixel value along a surface
Posted by [a.clovirola](#) on Tue, 04 Jun 2013 07:51:30 GMT
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Didn't have time to post, but now the procedure is working !
I modify some parameters (i didn't need several lines because my trajectory was straight), thanks for the help !

Subject: Re: IDL 8.2, read pixel value along a surface
Posted by [markjamie](#) on Tue, 04 Jun 2013 18:46:15 GMT

Hi

Would the code you provided be any good for taking lineouts (values along a line, straight or otherwise) from contour or surface plots in IDL?

Mark

Subject: Re: IDL 8.2, read pixel value along a surface
Posted by [topratingblogs](#) on Sun, 21 Jul 2013 21:42:13 GMT
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>
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>
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>
>
>
> FltHalfWidth   = (Width-1.0) / 2.0
>
> nPoints        = (SIZE(Pts, /DIMENSIONS))[1]
>
> nLines         = nPoints-1
>
> FloatPts       = FLOAT(Pts)
>
> ShiftedFloatPts = SHIFT(FloatPts,0,-1)
>
> Distances      = SQRT(TOTAL(((ShiftedFloatPts-FloatPts)[*,0:(nLines-1)])^2, 1))
>
> CumulDistances = TOTAL(Distances,/CUMULATIVE)
>
> WidthArr       = FINDGEN(Width)
>
> OnesArr        = WidthArr*0.0+1.0
>
> Angle          = ATAN((shiftedfloatpts-FloatPts)[1,0:-2],(shiftedfloatpts-Flo atPts)[0,0:-2])
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> NormAngle      = Angle+!PI/2.
>
> CosNormAngle   = COS(NormAngle)
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>
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>
>     nPos  = N_ELEMENTS(Profile)
>
>     xRes  = LIST(FINDGEN(nPos), /EXTRACT)
>
>     yRes  = LIST(Profile, /EXTRACT)
>
>     PosRef = LIST(nPos)
>
>   ENDIF ELSE BEGIN
>
>     nPos  = N_ELEMENTS(Profile)
>
>     xRes.Add,  FINDGEN(nPos)+CumulDistances[I-1], /EXTRACT
>
>     yRes.Add,  Profile, /EXTRACT
>
>     PosRef.Add, nPos+PosRef[I-1]
>
>   ENDELSE
>
> ENDFOR
>

```

```
> xRes = xRes.ToArray()
>
> yRes = yRes.ToArray()
>
> PosRef = PosRef.ToArray()
>
> END
>
```

I am very new to IDL coding. I want to use the code above for my Impervious Surface Image. IS it okay if someone could highlight and comment which lines of the code should I change so it will work for my own image data? For instance, how will I read my image?

Help will be very much appreciated. Thank you.

JP
