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Cheers,

David

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My fault, I should have been more clear in my original post.  
Grid3 uses Modified Shepard's Method, a simple inverse  
distance weighted method. After alot of trial and reading,  
I've determined that this method is adequate, but has problems  
with certain aspects of our very non-uniformly dispersed  
types of data. On the other hand, interpolation based on a  
Delaunay triangulation is desireable for a few reasons, one  
of which is that it is a very local method so local trends are  
not affected by non-local trends.  
So , does anybody know of a 3D Delaunay tetrahedralization  
function?  
Anybody also know how to implement natural neighbor interp.  
based on the tetrahedralization?

Thanks,  
Todd

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