

Average of matrices

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Abstract

A Python routine for averaging astronomical data matrices.

Materials and methods

Let's implement this calculation $\bar{A} = \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{p=1}^n A^{(p)} \right)$. The matrices must have the same size.

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1 import os
2 import glob
3 import numpy as np
4 from astropy.io import fits
5
6 x_1 = glob.glob('/tmp/*.fits')
7
8 x_2 = []
9
10 for x_3 in x_1:
11     x_4 = fits.getdata(x_3, ext=0)
12     x_2.append(x_4)
13
14 x_5 = np.mean(x_2, axis=0)
15
16 x_6 = fits.PrimaryHDU(x_5)
17 x_7 = fits.HDUList([x_6])
18 x_7.writeto('/tmp/0001.fits')
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