

# Tips !

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## 1 Tips: Centering an array

It's very easy to center a data set using high level templated expressions and statistical functors.

Listing 1: Example

```
#include "STKpp.h"
using namespace STK;
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    CArrayXX A(100, 5);
    Law::Normal law(1,2);
    A.rand(law);
    // call column statistical functions
    stk_cout << _T("min(A) =") << Stat::min(A);
    stk_cout << _T("max(A) =") << Stat::max(A);
    stk_cout << _T("max(A.abs()) =") << Stat::max(A.abs());
    stk_cout << _T("mean(A) =") << Stat::mean(A);
    // center the array
    stk_cout << _T("\nCentering...\n\n");
    A -= Const::VectorX(100) * Stat::mean(A);
    // call column statistical functions with all the columns of A
    // centered
    stk_cout << _T("min(A) =") << Stat::min(A);
    stk_cout << _T("max(A) =") << Stat::max(A);
    stk_cout << _T("max(A.abs()) =") << Stat::max(A.abs());
    stk_cout << _T("mean(A) =") << Stat::mean(A);
}
```

the expression

```
Const::Vector<Real>(100) mean(A)
```

represents the matrix multiplication of a column vector of 1 with 100 rows and of row vector with the mean of each column of A.

Note:

For each column of the array A we can get the maximal value in absolute value using `max(A.abs())`. It is possible to use functors mixed with unary or binary operators.

## 2 Tips: Compute the mean for each column of an array

You can easily get the mean of a whole vector or a matrix containing missing values using the expression

```
CArray<Real> A(100, 20);
Law::Normal law(1,2);
A.rand(law);
Real m = A.meanSafe();
```

In some cases you may want to get the mean for each column of an array with missing values. You can get it in a @c PointX vector using either the code

```
PointX m;
m = meanByCol(A.safe()); // mean(A.safe()); is shorter
```

or the code

```
min(A) = -3.76546 -3.91957 -4.13756
        -4.85529 -4.35988
max(A) = 5.59427 5.78152 7.9746
        6.62145 5.28151
max(A.abs()) = 5.59427 5.78152
        7.9746 6.62145 5.28151
mean(A) = 1.12788 1.39745 1.00663
        1.08672 0.955423

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min(A) = -4.89333 -5.31702 -5.14419
        -5.94201 -5.3153
max(A) = 4.46639 4.38407 6.96798
        5.53472 4.32609
max(A.abs()) = 4.89333 5.31702
        6.96798 5.94201 5.3153
mean(A) = 2.5091e-16 3.44169e-16
        -6.83897e-16 -2.84217e-16
        1.19904e-16
```

```
Array2DPoint<Real> m;
m.move(Stat::mean(A.safe()));
```

The method `A.safe()` will replace any missing (or `NaN`) values by zero. In some cases it's not sufficient, Suppose you know your data are all positive and you want to compute the log-mean of your data. In this case, you will rather use

```
m = Stat::mean(A.safe(1.).log());
```

and all missing (or `NaN`) values will be replaced by one.

**Note:**

You can also compute the variance. If you want to compute the mean of each row, you will have to use the functor `Stat::meanByRow`. In this latter case, you get a `VectorX` as result.

### 3 Tips: Compute the mean and the variance of multidimensionnal data

You can easily compute the mean and the variance matrix of multidimensional data. Assume we are handling this kind of data

```
// values (b,g,r,ir)
typedef CArrayVector<double, 4> Spectrum;
```

repeated in space and time. The data are stored in an array

```
// array of values
typedef CArray<Spectrum> ArraySpectrum;
ArraySpectrum datait;
```

and we want to compute at each time the (multidimensional) mean of this data set. This can be used using the following code :

```
// array of mean values
typedef CArrayPoint<Spectrum> PointSpectrum;
PointSpectrum mut(datait.cols());
for (int t = datait.beginCols(); t < datait.endCols(); ++t)
{
    mut[t] = 0.;
    for (int i = datait_.beginRows(); i < datait_.endRows(); ++i)
        mut[t] += datait_(i,t);
    mut[t] /= datait.sizeRows();
}
```

The variance matrix (using numerical correction) can be computed using the following code :

```
// covariances values (b,g,r,ir)
typedef CArraySquare<double, 4> CovSpectrum;
// array of mean values
typedef CArrayPoint<CovSpectrum> PointCov;
PointSpectrum sigmat(datait.cols());
for (int t = datait.beginCols(); t < datait.endCols(); ++t)
{
    CovSpectrum var; var=0.0;
    Spectrum sum = 0.0;
    for (int i = datait_.beginRows(); i < datait_.endRows(); ++i)
    {
        Spectrum dev;
        sum += (dev = datait(i,t) - mut[t]);
        var += dev.dev.transpose();
    }
    sigmat[t] = (var - ((sum.sum.transpose()) / datait.sizeCols())) / datait.sizeCols();
}
```

STK++ handles transparently the multidimensional nature of the data.