

A note on window averaging with Matlab Codes

Matlab processing was carried out using Matlab version 7.11.1 (R2010b) with service pack 1 on the Sheffield Iceberg cluster

<http://www.shef.ac.uk/wrgrid/iceberg>.

This included `ndnanfilter.m` available from `matlabcentral/fileexchange` which is called by the routine `winav.m` to perform window averaging. This worked very much (factor 10^2) faster than my own pedestrian version `wav.m` but gave the same results. However it states in the header:

```
% The program looks for the IMFILTER and PADARRAY functions from the
% Image Processing Toolbox. If not found, then CONVN is used instead
% (slower) and pads with zeros or the given value. In this latter
% case, if border elements are NaNs, the window won't work properly.
```

As the Matlab installation included the Image Processing Toolbox this was never a problem and I never tested the routines on another machine. If the routines fail because of `ndnanfilter.m` I suggest replacing calls to `winav` with calls to `wav` (`wav.m` is included in the gzipped routines) – however it will run a lot more slowly.

Both routines use a window parameter `nwin` which gives a window length $2nwin+1$.

For most FBD work I set `nwin` to 11 and for ScanSAR I used `nwin = 2`.