
Subject: Re: Search routines

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Kenneth P. Bowman (bowman@null.edu) writes:

> IDL has a pretty good SORT routine, but no SEARCH routine that I have been
> able to find (that is, a procedure to find the index of the closest/first
> match in an ordered list). Once again, this can be done with loops, but
> such an implementation would almost certainly be much slower than a
> built-in function. Since searching and sorting are such basic operations,
> does anyone know why there is no SEARCH in IDL?

I thought that was the point of the WHERE function. :-)

Cheers,

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