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?

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