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Subject: problem with IDL statistics

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In my code I have the line:

```
result=randomu(seed, binomial=[3.8e7, .72])
```

this freezes up the code (acts as if it is in an infinite loop) at the statement above.

If i change the 3.8e7 to 3.9e7, it works fine.

It seems that certain ranges of values work and others don't.

It doesn't matter if I use integers, long integers, double precision,etc.

I get the exact same problem when I use other similar statements, such as:

```
result=randomn(seed, 256,256,poisson=3.8e7)
```

again it freezes up for 3.8e7 but not 3.9e7

Very strange!

Any comments?

Thanks,

Eric

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