
Subject: Re: Finding duplicate values in an array
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In article <1994Jul18.171646@chapman.gsfc.nasa.gov>,
Ian Sprod <sprod@chapman.gsfc.nasa.gov> wrote:

>
> I seem to remember the topic of finding duplicate values in an array
> was discussed some months ago, but i never did read the end of the thread.
>
> What is the _fastest_ way to throw duplicated values out?
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> thanks
>
> ian

This is how I'd do it:

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;array of values  
arr = [.14, .11, .13, .12, .13, .13, .12, .13, .09, .13, .10, .12, .09, .14]
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```
;sort array  
arr_sorted = arr(sort(arr))
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;find disparity between adjacent elements  
n = n_elements(arr_sorted)  
disparity = arr_sorted(1:n-1)-arr_sorted(0:n-2)
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;find locations where disparities are non-zero  
index = where(disparity)+1
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;non-duplicated array  
arr_nodups = [arr_sorted(0), arr_sorted(index)]
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END

Hope this helps.
