
Subject: Re: WHERE - problem

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Thomas Jordi wrote:

>
> thanks, it worked. however am I right, that the WHERE procedure is not
> able to handle the case, where you search values in a 3d array in one
> plane, and then want to access with array[where] ?
>
> array(500,500,10)
> find=where(array(*,*,4) eq x)
>
> then the find-array with the subscripts indices does not return the
> right values. it does it only at one or two dimensional arrays
> i thought, there must be a way like (array(find)) eg array(*,*,4(find))
> or whatever.
> So you cannot use the where for parts of the array only?

The deal here is, WHERE takes the explicitly specified dimension by value, and analyzes the 2D array. If you look at the result of WHERE(array[* , * , 4]) then you will see that the smallest index you can get is 0, although you can't possibly want to use that zero and refer to the entire Array. However, the following works:

```
find=where(array[* , * ,4] eq x)
print, mean((array[* , * ,4])[find])
```

or

```
s = size(array)
print, mean(array[find + 4*(s[1]*s[2])])
```

In the latter example, you do use Find to index Array, but you add the size of the 3 ignored layers to Find, so the result is correct.

Hope this helps.

Cheers,

Pavel
