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Subject: Re: replace array's elemets  
Posted by [btt](#) on Fri, 16 May 2003 16:00:52 GMT  
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Roberto wrote:

- > Hi
- > I have a 100x100 array.
- > How can I replace an element if is different from 0?
- > I would replace all elements different from 0 with 1.
- > thank and sorry for the trouble.
- > Roberto

Hi Roberto,

You can use the WHERE function to get the indices of the elements that match your value (in your case 0). You do need to be a bit careful if your array is floating decimal type - in that case you must think about machine precision issues. Search on Google for more info about this.

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indices = where(myArray EQ someValue, count)
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if count NE 0 then myArray[indices] = 1
```

If you are new to IDL, I encourage you get one of the very good introductory manuals that are available. You won't regret it.

Liam Gumley's [www.gumley.com](http://www.gumley.com)  
David Fanning's [www.dfanning.com](http://www.dfanning.com)  
Ronn Kling's [www.rkling.com](http://www.rkling.com)

Cheers,  
Ben

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