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Subject: Re: comparing and concatenating arrays...please help!!

Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Fri, 09 Jan 2004 17:55:10 GMT

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Martin Doyle wrote:

Dear Martin,

we have some routines which could be used to synchronize your data.

With string2js you could convert your data columns of time into julian seconds.

for example:

```
time1=string2js('1954 12 31 23',format=' Y M D H')
```

If you have done this you have a numerical time

```
print,js2string(-1.4200740d+09)  
gives 1954-12-31 23:00:00 000
```

[http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl\\_icplib/idl\\_source/idl\\_html/dbase/string2js\\_dbase.pro.html](http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl_icplib/idl_source/idl_html/dbase/string2js_dbase.pro.html)  
[http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl\\_icplib/idl\\_source/idl\\_html/dbase/js2string\\_dbase.pro.html](http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl_icplib/idl_source/idl_html/dbase/js2string_dbase.pro.html)

You may be interested in our time\_series\_sync routine too

```
http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl\_icplib/idl\_source/idl\_html/dbase/time\_series\_sync\_dbase.pro.html
```

Result = TIME\_SERIES\_SYNC(Master\_time, Client\_time, Client\_value)

If you are able to store your data in an icg-data-structure you could do this for all parameters at once by icg\_ts\_sync

if you are interested this may be interesing

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http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl\_icplib/idl\_source/idl\_html/dbase/gen\_icgs\_dbase.pro.html
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```
s=gen_icgs(/small,short=['time','P1','P2'])  
help,s,str  
*s.time.param=string2js(time,format=' Y M D H')  
*s.time.units='seconds since 2000-01-01 00:00:00'  
*s.time.long_name='time'  
*s.p1.param=  
*s.p1.units=  
*s.p1.long_name=
```

```
*s.p2.param=
*s.p2.units=
*s.p2.long_name=
s=chk_struct(s)
master=ptr_struct2struct(s,/free)
```

result=icg\_ts\_sync(master,client)  
[http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl\\_icglib/idl\\_source/idl\\_html/dbase/icg\\_ts\\_sync\\_dbase.pro.html](http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl_icglib/idl_source/idl_html/dbase/icg_ts_sync_dbase.pro.html)

This structure could be stored to several data formats already.  
e.g. netCDF, HDF, nasa FFI 1001, END

For further routines and licensing please have a look at  
[http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl\\_icglib/idl\\_lib\\_intro.html](http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl_icglib/idl_lib_intro.html)

best regards

Reimar

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> Hello all,
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> I really hope someone out there can help me with this....I am tearing
> my hair out as my code is so slow!
>
> I have 2 files of data (hourly met data) with one file containing one
> set of parameters, and the other file containing another set of
> parameters. What I am trying to do, is to match the data based on the
> YY, MM, DD and HH values and then write BOTH sets of parameters to a
> separate file. For example;
>
> file1:
> 1954 12 31 23 90 11 4 366 0.00
>
> file2:
> 1954 12 31 23 2.80 2.10 2.20 95.21
>
> intended result:
> 1954 12 31 23 90 11 4 366 0.00 2.80 2.10 2.20
> 95.21
>
> NOTE: Both files have no order to them, so a simple concatenation
> won't work
>
```

> I have written some code, but it is wrist slashing-ly slow!;  
>  
> I read in each variable as a seperate array...  
>  
> b=0L  
> REPEAT BEGIN  
> c=0L  
> REPEAT BEGIN  
> If (year(b) EQ year2(c)) AND (month(b) EQ month2(c)) AND (day(b) EQ  
> day2(c)) AND (hour(b) EQ hour2(c)) THEN BEGIN  
>  
> printf, 3, year(b), month(b), day(b), hour(b), winddir(b), windsp(b),\$  
> present(b),visib(b), mslpres(b), airt(c), dewt(c), wett(c), relh(c),\$  
> format = finalformat  
> endif  
>  
> c=c+1  
>  
> ENDREP UNTIL c EQ lines2-1  
>  
> b=b+1  
>  
> ENDREP UNTIL b EQ lines1-1  
>  
> I'm sure there must be a better way than this.  
>  
> Please help me!  
>  
> Many thanks in advance, Martin..

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a IDL library at ForschungsZentrum Juelich  
[http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl\\_icglib/idl\\_lib\\_intro.html](http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl_icglib/idl_lib_intro.html)

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