
Subject: Re: Little help on arrays

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Nuno Oliveira wrote:

```
> How do I compare one array with another? I want to avoid comparing
> position per position.
>
> IDL> if [1,1] eq [1,1] then print, 'bingo!'
> % Expression must be a scalar or 1 element array in this context: <BYTE
>   Array[2]>.
> % Execution halted at: $MAIN$
>
```

You can use the `array_equal` procedure to compare arrays.

By the way, the result of the expresion `[1,1] eq [1,1]` is also an array and can therefor not be used in the IF-statement.

```
IDL> print, [1,1] eq [1,1]
  1  1
```

Pepijn.
