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Subject: Re: Sorting and comparing 2 files  
Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Fri, 03 Mar 2006 00:19:51 GMT  
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tianyf@gmail.com writes:

> The files may be too large and cannot be held in memory by IDL,  
> especially under Windows. It's a good idea to read tens of lines one  
> time for comparison. Using IDL to do this is simple but somewhat  
> time-consuming.

Possibly. However, the total size the original poster described was  
102 MB. If this much memory is not available on his computer, then  
the poster has more serious problems. I regularly keep 512 MB on a  
thumbnail sized device that fits in my pocket.

I think it's worth keeping it simple until simple doesn't work.

Craig

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