
Subject: Re: search routine

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Paolo Grigis wrote:

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>>> Laurens wrote:

>>>> Hi folks,

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>>>> From Martin Schultz (posted in 1999) I found the following

>>>> array-search algorithm which seems to do a fine job.

>>>> Except that i'm not able to catch the first element in the array.

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>>>> Example:

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>>>> Array = [0,80,100,120,180,300]

>>>> result = search, Array, 4.53

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>>>> It should return index 0, if I understand it correctly, but it

>>>> returns 1 instead. Now I don't quite follow the logic of the

>>>> function, so maybe someone for which it's easy to see can help me in

>>>> the right direction?

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>>> You could use the built-in function `value_locate` instead:

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>>> `result=value_locate(array,4.53)`

>>>

>>> which returns 0.

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>>> Ciao,

>>> Paolo

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>> though i'm noticing that it takes its ground number to be returned.

>> If my array has [0,10,20,30] and i'm searching for 18, it will return

>> 10. Now its just that would want to get 20 instead of 10 :)

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> well, in that case, just increase the index of the returned

> value by one (though you'd better check that it wasn't the

> *last* element...).

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> Ciao,

> Paolo

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>> regards, Laurens

haha, that sounds like a plausible solution, but that would get a result of 13 to become the 3rd index (2), when it should be the second.. It just needs to mean the result before it compares the value, but i assume that's not something which can be done without rewriting it?

Cheers, Laurens
