
Subject: Re: concatenate arrays of different sizes

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"vino" <astrocrazy@gmail.com> wrote in message

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- > Hello Everyone,
- > I am trying to concatenate arrays of different sizes into a single
- > variable. The problem is as follows:
- > I am tracking about 10,000 stars through a period of six months. I
- > have a single variable containing the intensity of all stars with
- > zeros when the star is not in the field of view. I ran into memory
- > problems when i try to track for longer periods.

What is time sampling on those?

You have intensity (float?) for 10k stars, by how many times in that six months?

Every ten minutes, fits into my winxp laptop just fine.

ie a = fltarr(10000,6*30*24*6)

Some suggestions:

Perhaps you could downsample the intensity time series - do you really need that high time resolution?

You could categorize the stars into groups (based on quadrant in the sky, or on magnitude) and analyze the groups separately.

You make a pointer array for each star, 10k pointers where each pointer points to a structure which holds the time and intensity for when it is in view.

Cheers,
bob
