
Subject: Re: VALUE_LOCATE tutorial

Posted by [Jeremy Bailin](#) on Fri, 26 Jun 2009 15:54:17 GMT

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On Jun 25, 5:14 pm, "Kenneth P. Bowman" <k-bow...@null.edu> wrote:

> In article <ywkuk530jtjl....@snowblow.colorado.edu>, sav...@nsidc.org

> wrote:

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>> Jeremy Bailin <astroco...@gmail.com> writes:

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>> I think the main reason it's not used is because it's so poorly named.

>> How would you find this if you just wanted to partition some data? I

>> can't remember who pointed it out to me first, but I do remember

>> thinking to myself, "Hmm, that's useful, wonder why I've never heard of

>> it".

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>> Cheers,

>> Matt

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> I think they knew that if they named it SEARCH it would conflict with

> thousands of user-written routines. :-)

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> Ken

Pre-5.3, I had a homebrewed version of it called BSEARCH, that I thought was pretty efficient but which gets blown out of the water by VALUE_LOCATE!

-Jeremy.
