
Subject: Re: VALUE_LOCATE tutorial
Posted by [Matt\[2\]](#) on Thu, 25 Jun 2009 14:07:42 GMT
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Jeremy Bailin <astroconst@gmail.com> writes:

> There are probably two reasons why VALUE_LOCATE is underused. The
> first is that it was only introduced in IDL 5.3, well after many
> people developed their core techniques. The second is that the help
> page is somewhat opaque on what it actually does. The basic idea is
> pretty simple: given two arrays Values and Array,

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".

Cheers,
Matt

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