Subject: Re: set all elements in 2d array between some range to 1
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> Thanks a lot for your help. This is great. Exactly the solution I'm looking for. Hmm..my original loop is taking me ~30 seconds. Not sure why yours is much faster. Here is my code. Actually it seems it's because the 10.^loglam is being done every loop iteration. Changing this to a stored variable, the loop takes 2.1 seconds.

Ah, that definitely makes sense! Yes, avoid doing redundant calculations in loops. :) This is always Good Advice... it looks like you got 15x faster just by doing that, which is almost as much as the speedup of going to the more sophisticated algorithm!

> I really like your code, since it's faster and no loops. However, when I run it, I'm getting some small differences between the output from the original vs the new method.
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> IDL> help, where(skylinemask)
> <Expression> LONG = Array[226935]
>
> IDL> help, where(skylinemask_v2)
> <Expression> LONG = Array[226933]
>
> IDL> help, where(skylinemask ne skylinemask_v2)
> <Expression> LONG = Array[14]
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> Printing these 14 elements for both the old and new mask shows that are flipped from each other. Could it be a boundary issue?

Quite possibly. The Value_Locate code will mask when wave lies exactly at a lower boundary (but not at an upper boundary), while your code doesn't mask at either boundary. So I'd suggest checking what the exact wavelengths of those 14 discrepancies are -- I suspect you'll find that they're exactly at the lower boundary of one of the mask regions.

-Jeremy.