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Subject: Re: Finding strings values common to two (large!) arrays

Posted by [Russell\[1\]](#) on Wed, 28 Oct 2015 16:25:07 GMT

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On Wednesday, October 7, 2015 at 10:13:59 AM UTC-4, [rj...@le.ac.uk](#) wrote:

> I have arrays of numerical IDs in string format.

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> I want to find all of the indices in Array A that contain a value that is present anywhere in Array B.

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> The arrays are both quite large (>1 million values) so a loop is out of the question and them being strings complicates it as well.

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> Any IDL Way tips?

AGGH! Jeremy beat me to it. I would think you want to map your strings onto the unique set of integers following Jeremy's post. Then perhaps you could use histogram on the mapped integers.

-Russell

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