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

Posted by [Jeremy Bailin](#) on Wed, 28 Oct 2015 16:40:20 GMT

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On Wednesday, October 28, 2015 at 12:25:10 PM UTC-4, rrya...@gmail.com wrote:

> 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?

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> 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.

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> -Russell

You know I'm not going to miss a chance to spread the gospel of value\_locate! :)

-Jeremy.

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