
Subject: Re: Array comparison part 2

Posted by [Dick Jackson](#) on Thu, 03 Oct 2002 16:33:24 GMT

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;#####
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endelse

print, 'Execution Time = ', systime(1)-time0, ' secs'

end
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Posted by [tam](#) on Fri, 04 Oct 2002 13:58:35 GMT
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Regards,
Tom McGlynn

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Posted by [James Kuyper](#) on Fri, 04 Oct 2002 14:20:35 GMT
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Unless I'm missing something, that doesn't handle correctly the possibility that there might be multiple matches, much less the possibility that there might be a different set of matches for xloc than for yloc. Of course, that possibility doesn't arise in your test data, but it doesn't seem to be ruled out by the original problem description.

Subject: Re: Array comparison part 2

Posted by [Dick Jackson](#) on Fri, 04 Oct 2002 15:46:55 GMT

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I guess I just assumed that "without splitting A" meant
without divvying things up in some kind of for loop.
Perhaps the original poster could be more explicit...
Always good to know the rules of the game!

Tom McGlynn

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A faster way to do this, if you don't care about the locations where equality occurs, is to use `array_equal()`, which halts as soon as it find an equal value:

```
print, array_equal(a[0,*] ne b[0] OR a[1,*] ne b[1],1b) eq 0b
```

