Subject: Syntax mistake?
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Dear All,

I'm well aware the answer to this query will become apparent as soon as I touch "send", but I've spent too long this morning trying to work out what's going on with zero sucess...

I pick out positive values from an array called age_val, and try to find where they sit with respect to precalculated grid points. The grid points are at postions "age_val", a monotonic series. I call interpol, and get the resonse, "% Arrays are allowed 1 - 8 dimensions.", yet I'm sure that this has worked fine in the past...

In fact, the plot thickens. When I look, interpol hasn't even compiled, so it's probably something wrong with the syntax, but what?

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Any suggestions?
   thanks,
     Ben
IDL> help
% At $MAIN$
AGE VAL
               DOUBLE = Array[25]
A TRACE
                          = Array[100, 4]
               DOUBLE
LOC
           LONG
                     = Array[141]
SCALED AGE
                 FLOAT
                           = Array[100, 4]
Compiled Procedures:
  $MAIN$
Compiled Functions:
IDL>
scaled_age[loc]=interpol(findgen(age_val),alog10(age_val),al og10(a_trace[loc]))
% Arrays are allowed 1 - 8 dimensions.
% Execution halted at: $MAIN$
;so I tried something else, worried that it might be a problem with the
;[] of an array rather than a vector
IDL> ages=alog10(a_trace[loc])
IDL> scaled age[loc]=interpol(findgen(age val),alog10(age val),ag es)
% Arrays are allowed 1 - 8 dimensions.
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% Execution halted at: \$MAIN\$

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IDL> help
% At $MAIN$
AGES
            DOUBLE = Array[141]
AGE_VAL
              DOUBLE = Array[25]
                         = Array[100, 4]
A_TRACE
              DOUBLE
LOC
                    = Array[141]
           LONG
SCALED AGE
                 FLOAT
                          = Array[100, 4]
Compiled Procedures:
  $MAIN$
Compiled Functions:
IDL> help, /source
Compiled Procedures:
$MAIN$
Compiled Functions:
PATH SEP
/afs/ipp/common/soft/idl.6.1/idl_6.1/lib/path_sep.pro
STRSPLIT
/afs/ipp/common/soft/idl.6.1/idl_6.1/lib/strsplit.pro
                 /afs/ipp/common/soft/idl.6.1/idl_6.1/lib/uniq.pro
UNIQ
IDL> result=interpol(findgen(age_val),alog10(age_val),ages)
% Arrays are allowed 1 - 8 dimensions.
% Execution halted at: $MAIN$
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