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Subject: averaging over same index

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Hello,

I have an array V(alues) and an array S(ubscripts of a target array)  
and I want to  
extract the mean of all values with the same index in order to put them  
into the new array.

As a simple example:

V = [ 3, 7, 99, 5, 2 , 10]

S = [ 1, 3, 3, 2 , 0 , 1]

new vector should be --> new = [ 2 , 6.5 , 5, 53 ]

slow way would be: for n = 0 , max(S)-1 do new[n]=mean(v[where(S eq  
n)])

a bit faster without WHERE in the loop:

```
VSorted = v[sort(S)]
SSorted = S[sort(S)]
uu = uniq(iSorted)
for n = 0 , n_elements(uu)-1 do new[iSorted[uu[n]]] =
mean(vSorted[n:(n-1)>0])
```

But is there a way to do what I want without resorting to  
a loop? In my real-world problem I have vectors with 500000 elements  
and the number of the occurence of indices  
are quite irregular and can exceed 30 times.

Thanks Andi

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