
Subject: Re: concatenate arrays of different sizes
Posted by [Vince Hradil](#) on Thu, 27 Mar 2008 15:48:36 GMT
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On Mar 27, 10:34 am, vino <astrocr...@gmail.com> wrote:

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> so i thought of storing the information only when the stars are
> present in the field of view. This is where i am lost since each star
> is present for different periods and i dont know how to store them all
> in a single variable. The alternative might be to store each star
> information in a single file but the aim of my project is to track
> about half a million stars, i wanted to do something sensible right
> from the first.
>
> Thanking you in advance for your help
>
> regards,
> vino

I would use an array of structures...

for each star:

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star_data[i] = {star_id:current_star_id, month:obs_month,  
intens:current_star_intensity}
```

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Posted by [R.G. Stockwell](#) on Thu, 27 Mar 2008 16:42:09 GMT
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"vino" <astrocrazy@gmail.com> wrote in message
news:98fa711f-7d7e-4131-a70a-a75dfe22850d@d4g2000prg.googlegroups.com...

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bob

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Posted by [vino](#) on Fri, 28 Mar 2008 09:01:33 GMT
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Hello Bob,

Thank you for your suggestion.

The cadence of this particular instrument is 40 minutes. And since i
am looking for transiting planets, this high cadence is very essential
to me.

The intensity array i am using contains flux for 3 different apertures
and hence the larger size.

As you suggested, categorising it by quadrants was one of my ideas and
the other is to build a database. But now i will learn how to use
pointers and store it.

Thank you so much.

To Vince Hardi:

Thank you so much. Didn't think of it. Will try that.

regards,
vino
