

**NAME**

Algorithm::Diff::XS – Algorithm::Diff with XS core loop

**SYNOPSIS**

```
# Drop-in replacement to Algorithm::Diff, but "compact_diff"
# and C<LCSidx> will run much faster for large data sets.
use Algorithm::Diff::XS qw( compact_diff LCSidx );
```

**DESCRIPTION**

This module is a simple re-packaging of Joe Schaefer's excellent but not very well-known Algorithm::LCS with a drop-in interface that simply re-uses the installed version of the Algorithm::Diff module.

Note that only the LCSidx function is optimized in XS at the moment, which means only compact\_diff will get significantly faster for large data sets, while diff and sdiff will run in identical speed as Algorithm::Diff.

**BENCHMARK**

	Rate	Algorithm::Diff	Algorithm::Diff::XS
Algorithm::Diff	14.7/s	--	-98%
Algorithm::Diff::XS	806/s	5402%	--

The benchmarking script is as below:

```
my @data = ([qw/a b d/ x 50], [qw/b a d c/ x 50]);
cmpthese( 500, {
    'Algorithm::Diff' => sub {
        Algorithm::Diff::compact_diff(@data)
    },
    'Algorithm::Diff::XS' => sub {
        Algorithm::Diff::XS::compact_diff(@data)
    },
});
```

**SEE ALSO**

Algorithm::Diff, Algorithm::LCS.

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