
Subject: Re: Aaaahhhhaaayyyahhhh!
Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Sat, 26 Feb 2005 10:00:24 GMT
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David,

this is one of the ten items we should never do.

1. DON'T USE !ORDER=1
 2. Make DAMN sure what you pass to WHERE is a scalar and not an array.
- ASSUME NOTHING!!!!

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While watching the google archive I recognized you have about 9.480 postings till now sent to this newsgroup. What did you do by reaching 10.000?

cheers
Reimar

David Fanning wrote:

> Folks,
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> There are days (almost always when there are tight deadlines
> on multiple projects) when you just don't need it!
>
> I just spent five hours over two days (and woke up several
> times last night thinking about it) chasing a most perplexing
> bug, only to discover my favorite gotcha at the other end:
>
> Memo to Self: Make DAMN sure what you pass to WHERE
> is a scalar and not an array. ASSUME NOTHING!!!!
>
> Who would have thought this:
>
> name = OBJ_CLASS (classname, /Superclass)
>
> would return a 1-element array!? Good thing I've lost
> the key to the ammo case. :-(
>
> Cheers,
>
> David
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a IDL library at ForschungsZentrum Juelich
http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl_icglib/idl_lib_intro.html
