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Subject: Re: delete variable name from memory

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saplizki@gmail.com wrote:

- > but i do need to removes any notion of ever having seen such a
- > variable.
- > And David's solutions and Antonio's solutions doesn't do it, so how can
- > i really remove it.

Do you really want to delete the variable or do you just not want to show that it is there in the output from `routine_info()`? If the latter, you can call `routine_info()` like normal, but then filter out the variable names that should not show up in the output. The user is shown the rest of the list and has no clue that the other variables exist.

The one problem with this is that you'd have to maintain a list of the variable names that should not be shown. If you were to change the name of a "hidden" variable in your program, you'd also have to edit this list as well. Otherwise the variable would start showing up in your output.

-Mike

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