
Subject: Re: manipulating structures

Posted by [rkombiyil](#) on Mon, 09 Apr 2007 01:45:13 GMT

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On Apr 9, 9:17 am, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:

> Lajos = writes:

>> You are summing an empty array, if the /NaN keyword (= discard NaNs) was
>> set. So, what is the sum of an empty array: 0 or Nan? :-)

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> Well, whatever it is, it probably ought be to the same
> as MEAN, don't you think?

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> Cheers,

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> David

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> Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

I agree with Dr.Fanning completely. Consistency should be maintained in such situations. Else, it will lead to inaccurate results and the end user will have to spent much time trying to debug, when such inconsistent behaviour is "not" obvious!

Thanks,

/rk
