Subject: Re: how to suppres warning
Posted by David Fanning on Wed, 22 Oct 2008 12:31:45 GMT

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Ingo von Borstel writes:

> is there a way to suppress warnings like
> % Type conversion error: Unable to convert given STRING to Double.
> % Detected at: READ_TABLE   58 /home/ingo/idltools/read_table.pro
> in order to not spam the console entirely? I'd rather have the programme
> issue one warning for the entire read process instead of one for each
> line of the table I'm reading...
>
> I've been looking through the docs, but it was my impression that the
> usage of on_error doesn't help...

If we told you how to suppress error messages, I'm pretty sure
you would be back here in five minutes wondering how to prevent
crap in your input variables.

I don't think we can win on this one. Error messages do tend to
disappear when you write the code correctly. And nothing
focuses the mind so much as an entire screen of someone
yelling at you. :-)

Cheers,

David

P.S. The one person I know who (accidentally) suppressed
all error messages (by borrowing a start-up file from
someone who was a sorrier programmer than she was) was
the most confused, unhappy programmer on the planet.
Very difficult to do your job without feedback.

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