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Subject: Re: while loop crashes

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On 6/1/10 4:18 AM, Spon wrote:

> I've always wondered why people even use batch mode, when procedures  
> and functions are almost as easy to write. What is the advantage of  
> batch mode?

I think batch files have very special purpose uses:

1. You can include code into multiple function/procedure using batch files, e.g., error handling code that would normally be copy-and-pasted into many routines.

2. To make a build script callable from the main-level since you can put executive statements from batch files that are called from the main-level.

Any other uses for batch files? I go with main-level programs for a lot of simple/throw-away script stuff (since I can make it into a function/procedure fairly easily if I don't actually throw it away).

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