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Subject: Re: Shapefile Opening Error

Posted by [devin.white](#) on Sat, 18 Jun 2011 13:00:23 GMT

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I think IDL's shapefile library expects there to be a valid DBF attribute entry for every entity in the shapefile. If you don't need to convey anything useful in the DBF, just create an attribute called "ID" and dump a sequentially increasing integer in there for each entity (e.g., first entity gets 0, second gets 1, etc.). You'll have to use IDLffShape's ::addAttribute and ::setAttributes methods to do this.

On Jun 17, 5:00 am, Patrick Leinenkugel <lei...@googlemail.com> wrote:

> Hi,

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> I created a new polygone shapefile with IDL and everything works fine.

> I can open it with ESRI ArcGIS and work with it. However, very often

> at some stage, when I want to open the shapefile again the following

> error message appears:

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> 'Error opening feature class

> Number of shapes does not match the number of table records

> Number of shapes does not match the number of table records'

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> (The third line is no writing mistake, it appears twice)

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> Can someone help me? Is it me or is it ArcGIS, doing something wrong:)

> Cheers,

> Patrick

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