Subject: n_elements and NaN

Posted by R.Bauer on Tue, 25 Jan 2011 20:26:42 GMT

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Reimar

Subject: Re: n_elements and NaN

Posted by rogass on Tue, 25 Jan 2011 22:19:03 GMT

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On 25 Jan., 21:26, Reimar Bauer < R.Ba...@fz-juelich.de> wrote:

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Yes.

a nan check for all routines would be wonderful...

Schade an sich

CR

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Posted by lecacheux.alain on Wed, 26 Jan 2011 08:15:38 GMT

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alx.

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Posted by R.Bauer on Wed, 26 Jan 2011 17:20:04 GMT

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Am 26.01.2011 09:15, schrieb alx:

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Reimar

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Posted by Jeremy Bailin on Thu, 27 Jan 2011 15:24:29 GMT

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I'm with alx on this - I would be very annoyed if n_elements looked at the contents of what it's given rather than just the syntactic structure (it would be *much* slower, for one thing!).

-Jeremy.