

CoCoA-5 - Support #1603

Unhelpful behaviour in "compatibility mode": double error mesg

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Status:	New	Start date:	12 Jul 2021
Priority:	Low	Due date:	
Assignee:		% Done:	0%
Category:	Parser/Interpreter	Estimated time:	0.00 hour
Target version:	CoCoA-5.4.2	Spent time:	0.10 hour
Description			
Syntactic errors inside compatibility mode can be unhelpful:			
<pre>/**/ f := **2x;*** g:=3; // semicolon should be outside compat-mode --> ERROR: Semicolons are not allowed inside backward-compatibility markers (exiting backward-compatibility mode) --> f := **2x;*** g:=3; // semicolon shoul ... --> ^ --> ERROR: I was expecting a compatibility marker but I've found the operator/symbol "!=" --> f := **2x;*** g:=3; // semicolon should be out ... --> ^^ /**/</pre>			
Not sure what to do here. Just leave it like this?			

History

#1 - 18 Mar 2024 21:20 - John Abbott

I'm very tempted to mark this one **won't fix**.

It would likely be a lot of work modifying the parser/interpreter, and without any assurance that we'd find a better solution.

I suspect not many people use the "backward compatibility mode" anyway...

Reject? (or do we have a **won't fix** conclusion option?)