

CoCoA-5 - Support #916

use command: unhelpful error if you use := instead of ::=

25 Aug 2016 17:42 - John Abbott

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Category:	enhancing/improving	Estimated time:	0.00 hour
Target version:	CoCoA-5.?.?	Spent time:	0.10 hour
Description Here is an excerpt from a CoCoA session containing a "typo" (OK, it's 33 degrees here, and I wasn't concentrating) <pre>>>> use S := QQ[t[1..2]]; --> ERROR: I was expecting a semicolon but I've found "!=" --> use S := QQ[t[1..2]]; --> ^^</pre> The error message is unhelp to newcomers to CoCoA-5; can we improve the error message?			
Related issues: Related to CoCoA-5 - Feature #657: use command, ring syntax, RingOf <div>New20 Jan 2015</div>			

History

#1 - 20 Oct 2020 17:50 - John Abbott

The relevant source code seems to be Parser::parseUseStatement around line 356 in Parser.C.

What should the behaviour be if := is found instead of ::=?
Error? Warning (and assume that ::= was meant)?

#2 - 20 Oct 2020 18:09 - John Abbott

- Related to Feature #657: use command, ring syntax, RingOf added