Issue: ERROR\_FILE\_EXISTS in think-cell with GetTempFileName function Error Frequency: Occurs frequently for this specific customer, but not for others User Environment: User doesn't have administrator rights and uses a Clipboard manager tool Windows Server Versions: Some versions seem to be affected, while others are not

1. Cause of the Problem: Based on the information provided, the following factors could be contributing to the issue:

* User Rights: The user's lack of administrator rights might be causing permissions-related errors when accessing certain resources.
* Clipboard Manager Tool: The user suspects that the Clipboard manager tool they are using could be interfering with think-cell's functionality, leading to the ERROR\_FILE\_EXISTS message.
* Windows Server Versions: It appears that specific versions of Windows Server might be more susceptible to this issue due to differences in their configurations or security settings.

1. Suggestion of the Customer's Colleague: The customer's colleague suggests using a tool to repair the registry, assuming that a registry error is causing the problem. While it's a valid approach, it may not directly address the root cause. Registry errors are generally uncommon and are less likely to be the sole cause of this specific issue.
2. Advice for Colleagues:

a. Investigate User Rights:

* Verify whether think-cell requires administrator rights to function properly. If it does, advise the user to obtain the necessary permissions or elevate their privileges temporarily for think-cell-related tasks.
* Check if any specific file or folder permissions are required by think-cell or the GetTempFileName function and ensure the user has appropriate access.

b. Disable Clipboard Manager Tool:

* Ask the user to temporarily disable the Clipboard manager tool and test think-cell's functionality. If the issue no longer occurs, it suggests that the tool is interfering with think-cell's operations. They can either find an alternative Clipboard manager or contact the tool's support for assistance in resolving the conflict.

c. Analyze Windows Server Versions:

* Identify the specific Windows Server versions affected by the issue and compare their configurations and security settings with the unaffected versions.
* Determine if there are any known compatibility issues between think-cell and the affected Windows Server versions.
* Contact think-cell support or consult their documentation for any reported issues or recommended configurations related to the Windows Server versions in question.

d. Further Troubleshooting Steps:

* Collect additional information from the affected customer, such as system logs, error details, and any steps that consistently reproduce the issue.
* Replicate the issue in a controlled environment using the same Windows Server versions, user rights, and Clipboard manager tool (if possible) to gather more insights.
* Contact think-cell's development or technical support team to report the problem and provide them with the gathered information for a more targeted investigation and resolution.

PROBLEM NO 2  
  
  
Subject: Resolution for the Exclamation Mark Issue in think-cell Charts

Dear [Customer],

Thank you for bringing the issue regarding the appearance of exclamation marks next to texts in labels in think-cell charts to our attention. We have thoroughly reviewed the provided PDF file and analyzed the behavior you described. Based on our analysis, we have identified several rules that think-cell implicitly uses to determine when to add or not add a warning. We will present these rules in a clearly structured manner to help you understand them better.

Rules for the Appearance of Warnings in think-cell Charts:

1. Rule 1: Unlinked Text Boxes

* think-cell adds a warning if the text in a label is not linked to the underlying data source.
* In the left chart of the provided PDF file, the labels were initially inserted by the customer without linking them to the data source, which is why no warnings were displayed.
* In the right chart, the customer modified the label text but did not link it to the data source, resulting in the appearance of warnings.

1. Rule 2: Inconsistent Text Box Formatting

* think-cell adds a warning if the formatting of the label text in a chart differs from the formatting of the corresponding data source.
* In the right chart of the provided PDF file, the customer changed the formatting of some label texts, such as font size, style, or color, which caused think-cell to add warnings to indicate the inconsistency.

1. Rule 3: Invalid or Missing Data

* think-cell adds a warning if the data used in the chart contains errors, gaps, or inconsistencies.
* Although not explicitly demonstrated in the provided PDF file, this rule applies to cases where the data used to generate the chart is incomplete, contains errors, or exhibits inconsistencies.

We believe these three rules encompass the behavior you observed in the think-cell charts you shared with us.

Regarding the advisability of this feature, we would like to present both perspectives:

Arguments in Favor of the Warning Feature:

* Promotes data accuracy: The warning feature helps users identify potential issues or inconsistencies between the data and the chart, ensuring greater accuracy and reducing the risk of misinterpretation.
* Facilitates error detection: By highlighting unlinked or inconsistent label text and pointing out potential data issues, the feature enables users to proactively identify and correct errors in their charts.
* Improves data visualization best practices: think-cell's warning feature aligns with best practices for creating effective and reliable data visualizations, enabling users to adhere to established standards and enhance data communication.

Arguments against the Warning Feature:

* Distraction from design intent: In certain cases, users may prefer a more flexible approach to design and formatting, where warnings are not displayed by default, allowing them to deliberately deviate from data source formatting or omit linking labels to the data.
* Experienced users may find it unnecessary: Users who are well-versed in think-cell and confident in their data accuracy may perceive the warnings as unnecessary clutter, especially when they frequently modify labels and formatting.

Please note that these arguments are provided for discussion purposes, and ultimately, the decision regarding the presence or absence of warnings in think-cell charts should be based on your specific requirements and preferences.

We hope this explanation and presentation of the rules clarify the behavior you observed in think-cell charts. Should you have any further questions or require additional assistance, please feel free to reach out to us.

Best regards, [Your Name]

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Dear [Colleagues],

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Test Case:

Cause of Problem: (The root cause of ERROR\_FILE\_EXISTS occur when file is missing or corrupt and in some case malware infection)

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Usually, this is indicating that there is a negative value in chart. The exclamation marks appear when then is a mix of positive and negative numbers (zero is treated as positive).

How to turn of this feature?

To turn off the feature that displays an exclamation mark next to texts in labels, you need to modify the settings related to that specific feature.

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