# QGIS Application - Bug report #4955

## Wrong results, when calculated results are too long for DBF field

2012-02-07 01:37 AM - zirneklitis -

Status: Closed Priority: Normal

Assignee:

Category: Vectors

Affected QGIS version:masterRegression?:NoOperating System:Easy fix?:No

Pull Request or Patch shapplied:

Crashes QGIS or corrupts data:

Resolution: duplicate

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### Description

This was tested both on 1.7.3 and 1.9.90.

A new field in a shape file was created with the field calculator (within 'Attribute table' window). An area of a polygon was calculated with \$area. The returned value was absolutely wrong. It turns out that the field is too short for the result. But there were no warnings!!! Further experiments return following results:

Field type: N(10,0) Result: 727869376 — wrong result (N. B. – there are only 9 numbers)

Field type: N(11,0) Result: -2147483648 — wrong result (N. B. - the integer part of the result is 11 numbers)

Field type: N(13,1) Result: 65152378815,7 — correct result

Additional verification of field type and number should be introduce before writing out to shape file. I suppose this is similar problem to Bug #3500.

#### Related issues:

Duplicates QGIS Application - Bug report # 4766: Missing warnings when insert... Closed 2012-01-11

## History

## #1 - 2012-04-09 04:57 AM - Giovanni Manghi

I can confirm this issue, it can indeed lead to further errors.

#### #2 - 2012-04-09 02:09 PM - alobo -

Actually, it's a problem of the field type:

If Precision = 0, even if field type has been set to Float

the result is wrong, Precision must be > 0,

I think that if Precision = 0, then the type is set to integer

(even if the user has selected float) and the results are wrong.

Field width=20, real and Precision=3 gives a correct result

Field width=20, real and Precision=0 gives a wrong result

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### #3 - 2012-04-10 02:38 AM - Giovanni Manghi

Nathan, I added you as watcher to this ticket as you worked in the field calculator. Not sure if you want/can do something about this issue, eventually just

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### #4 - 2012-09-04 12:08 PM - Paolo Cavallini

- Target version set to Version 2.0.0

### #5 - 2012-12-30 09:51 AM - Giovanni Manghi

- Priority changed from High to Normal

### #6 - 2014-05-06 02:38 AM - Giovanni Manghi

see also #10186

### #7 - 2014-06-28 07:41 AM - Jürgen Fischer

- Target version changed from Version 2.0.0 to Future Release - Lower Priority

## #8 - 2014-10-30 12:24 PM - Giovanni Manghi

- Resolution set to duplicate
- Status changed from Open to Closed

duplicate of #4766

## Files

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