Subject: Re: Bottom 10 IDL requests ;-) was: Re: Top 10 IDL Requests
Posted by Martin Schultz on Mon, 14 Aug 2000 07:00:00 GMT
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wmc@bas.ac.uk wrote:
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> ottehoman@my-deja.com wrote:
>> In article <MPG.13fc6344e757c00b989bb0@news.frii.com>,
>> davidf@dfanning.com (David Fanning) wrote:
>
>>> Well, I reiterate. Pointers. The solution is pointers. :-)
>
>>> William asked for an array of different structures,
>>> which sort of turns the definition of an array
>>> topsy-turvy.
>
>> But then why use IDL at all? Why not directly use g++/gtk
>> or gnuplot or any other OO-language ?
>
> OK, yes, I could use pointers. But its an extra layer of complication.
> IDL is nice because a lot of stuff can be done easily. Now, why cannot
> there be an array type which contains different types? The array would
> really be pointers to the things in it, automatically created and hidden.
> Just a wish, I know...
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well, containers are almost what you ask for, aren't they ? ;-)
Martin

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