## Subject: Re: Discussion on global variables in IDL Posted by mvukovic on Fri, 10 Aug 2001 15:47:20 GMT

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alt@iszf.irk.ru (Altyntsev Dmitriy) wrote in message news:<6b9fda50.0108100132.13a58695@posting.google.com>...

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- > So, what is the most annoying thing with IDL OOP for me? The fact that
- > when I describe class I loose freedom of changing field type and size.
- > I can not have undefined field in class too. And I can not add field
- > during execution. Let us view very simple typical example.
- ...stuff deleted
- > Regards,
- > Altyntsev Dmitriy

OOP is for ``high level" programming. In my (not that vast) experience you don't write an OOP application by sitting in front of the terminal. You think, specify, and \_plan\_ the application. Then you type it in.

BTW, I ``discovered" a gorgeous book on OOP called Design Patterns. I don't have the author names, but you can find it easily enough on amazon.com. It was an eye-opener for me on making re-usable object patterns.

If I had a top ten wish, it would be to make IDL a more OO language, implementing all of the basic OO features and some of the more advanced OO features, including operator overloading. Note that this is a dangereous wish, as highly obtuse and non-transparent code can be result from a mis-use of those tools.

But other wishes of your list are appealing too.

Cheers.

Mirko