
Subject: Re: call_method

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From: "Craig Markwardt" <craigmnet@cow.physics.wisc.edu>

> I think it is bad form in IDL to intentionally have a procedure and a
> function of the same name which do the same thing.

I don't agree. If there weren't any problems in getting both compiled, then I think it would be a pretty cool thing. Other languages don't have the distinction between procedures and functions and they don't suffer for it.

But I don't feel all that strongly about it. It's only a computer language after all.

> As you say, it is
> too easy to mix them up...

Did I say that? If they both did the same thing (except for one returning a value) then it wouldn't matter if you did mix them up.

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