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Subject: Naive pointer question ?

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From my understanding, pointers are useful in C where you have the option of passing by value or by reference, but in IDL it seems one \*always\* passes by reference (insofar as any variable passed to a function and then changed within that function is also changed in the calling function).

So I was wondering, what is the benefit of explicitly using pointers in IDL ?

Ciao.

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