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Subject: Re: Pass-By-Reference question.

Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Wed, 10 Mar 2004 21:24:27 GMT

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Mark Hadfield <m.hadfield@niwa.co.nz> writes:

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> Not so. As Tim said, keywords passed in via inheritance override

> keywords supplied explicitly. This is a very useful feature and

> virtually all of my code relies on it.

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Mark, are you relying on a documented feature of IDL, or are you just assuming that because it works, it's right? I've never assumed that keyword inheritance works by overriding explicit values. In fact, I would have assumed the exact opposite, namely that the explicit overrides the generic.

> As to why Tim's example works for XRANGE & YRANGE but not NODATA, I have

> no idea. Perhaps you are not really doing what you think you are doing.

I agree, the Tim's example is truly strange.

Craig

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