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Subject: structure access using strings for tag-names  
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Hello everyone,

I would like to ask your opinion about the following.

Using the function `CREATE_STRUCT` it is possible to create a struct with tag names defined by strings. This way it is possible to create structs without knowing their names at compile time.

However even if I don't have to know the tag names when creating a struct, it seems that I still have to know them, when I want to access the data within that struct, because I couldn't find any procedure or function for this purpose and `struct.'tag_name'` quite naturally gives a syntax error.

Any ideas why this isn't implemented, or why it isn't necessary to have it (would be nice to set up simple associative containers, wouldn't it)?

Best regards,

Thomas

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