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Subject: Re: Bug in N\_PARAMS?

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On Dec 2, 3:11 am, Jeremy Bailin <astroco...@gmail.com> wrote:

- > Except that there are valid reasons for passing in
- > an undefined variable, if it's used for output. So
- > it's perfectly legitimate to want to know whether
- > it was passed in without caring whether it is
- > defined.

To check that an argument has been passed, and can be written to, you can use ARG\_PRESENT.

To check that a argument has been passed, and is a defined variable, you can use N\_ELEMENTS > 0.

This leaves N\_PARAMS for the cases where you want to know if an argument has been passed, but otherwise don't care about its status. In my experience. this is pretty rare, except in what I would call wrapper routines.

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