
Subject: Re: Book Review: Object-Oriented Programming with IDL

Posted by [ronn](#) on Wed, 19 Jan 2011 13:04:06 GMT

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Thanks for the nice compliments. I like the description of it being an extended essay.

Ronn Kling

"Michael Galloy" <mgalloy@gmail.com> wrote in message
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> On 1/16/11 5:38 PM, wlandsman wrote:

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>> Some readers of this newsgroup might be interested in the recent (July
>> 10) book

>> by Ronn Kling "Object-Oriented Programming with IDL". This book is
>> written

>> for "an average IDL programmer who knows the basics of procedures and
>> functions

>> and who is familiar with structures", but who may not be completely
>> comfortable

>> with object-oriented programming. I found it refreshing to read a
>> book about

>> objects focussed on scientists (and even astronomers!) with examples in
>> IDL.

>> The table of contents is available at

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>> <http://www.kilvarock.com/ooptableofcomments.htm>

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>> The book is recent enough to include a chapter on the IDL 8.0

>> enhancements

>> including garbage collection, operator overloading, and the new object
>> syntax.

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>> The book shouldn't be thought of as a reference, but more of an extended
>> essay

>> on when and how to use objects in IDL. But the most important advice I
>> can

>> give to those considering buying this book is to *not* buy it from
>> Amazon, but

>> to look at <http://www.kilvarock.com/books-on-idl.htm> . (Hint: there is
>> a

>> substantial price difference.)

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>> --Wayne

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> I agree, this is a great book to start learning about objects in IDL. I

> have been meaning to write a review of this book for awhile.

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