
Subject: Re: Functions and arrays

Posted by [thompson](#) on Wed, 04 Dec 1996 08:00:00 GMT

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rigby@crd.ge.com (Wayne Rigby) writes:

> In article 6ll@post.gsfc.nasa.gov, thompson@orpheus.nascom.nasa.gov (William Thompson) writes:

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>> I've just run into a serious limitation in the way IDL handles functions and
>> arrays. I've always been aware that there was an ambiguity in the IDL syntax,

>> ...

>> It is my opinion that IDL should be tightened in its handling of arrays and
>> functions. If a procedure contains a variable with a given name, then it
>> should be unambiguous that one is referencing that variable, and not some
>> function which happens to share the same name.

>> ...

>> William Thompson

> Please complain directly to RSI about this! We ran into this about a year
> ago, and were unable to get past the first level support folks telling us that
> this was an inevitable consequence of IDL's weak typing.

I sent a copy of the same message to RSI's support people, and they promised to get back to me on it. I'm sure that the messages posted here will have some effect on their response.

Bill Thompson
