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Subject: Re: HASH with case insensitive keys versus a new DICT class

Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Wed, 12 Dec 2012 19:09:34 GMT

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On Wednesday, December 12, 2012 1:05:08 AM UTC-5, Chris Torrence wrote:

> Okay, I'll bite.

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> I have a specific use case for this, where using a "dynamic" structure would be very helpful. Users have also been asking for dynamic, extendable structures for years.

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> One more data point: It would take less than a day to make this update. Adding a new widget system would take more than a day.

I would go at it from the other end and make the structure access operator "." overloadable from within the IDL language. Once that key language feature is added, then your particular use case of HASH as the backing store can be wired up with a few lines of IDL code, and you can choose whatever idiosyncracies you wish.

Craig

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