## Subject: Re: HASH with case insensitive keys versus a new DICT class Posted by Craig Markwardt on Thu, 13 Dec 2012 04:37:02 GMT

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On Wednesday, December 12, 2012 10:10:51 PM UTC-5, Chris Torrence wrote:
> On Wednesday, December 12, 2012 12:09:34 PM UTC-7, Craig Markwardt wrote:
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>> On Wednesday, December 12, 2012 1:05:08 AM UTC-5, Chris Torrence wrote:
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>>> 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.
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OK, then if I were you I would implement an \*alternate\* case-insensitive hash algorithm when you initialize a new hash, such that h['MYSTRING'] returns the same as h['mystring'], as h['MyString']. Turn that flag on for your special class, and you're done. My point being, separate the "IDL variable"ness from the case-insensitiveness.

## Craig