
Subject: Re: Storing !NULL in struct

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Le lundi 18 mars 2013 12:41:14 UTC+1, Tom Grydeland a écrit :

> On Monday, March 18, 2013 9:27:31 AM UTC, alx wrote:

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>> Le lundi 18 mars 2013 10:00:58 UTC+1, Tom Grydeland a écrit :

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>>> Either of HASH or LIST would be perfectly fine, if I were able to even assign to already-known fields of structs stored inside them:

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>>> It's not that I cannot imagine a way of working around this, but it seems to defeat the purpose of providing high-level data structures.

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>> IDL> h = hash('f', {t:0})

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>> IDL> help, h

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>> H HASH <ID=1 NELEMENTS=1>

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>> IDL> print, h['f'].t

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>> 0

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>> IDL> h['f'] = {t:1}

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>> IDL> print, h['f'].t

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>> alx.

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> Very good, so you, too, understand how to work around this problem.

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No, I do'nt. I do not understand what you mean by "high-level" data structures.

As previously said, IDL structures are defined like C structures: each field being defined "by value". If you want more flexibility, you can (and you must) use pointers (each field is then defined "by reference").

What else ?

alx.
