
Subject: Arg_Present

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I'm just full of complaints this week. This particular one is about Arg_Present. It is a lovely addition, and one for which I clamored before the release of IDL v5, but it has something left out... it does not correctly identify *inherited* keyword passed variables as return variables. This may seem like a small detail, but consider this scenario: A subclass' GetProperty method calls its superclass' method with any extra keywords it receives. The superclass' GetProperty method checks if keywords are present as return variables before computing a property for return. But this doesn't work... _EXTRA keywords will not trigger arg_present, and the whole system is broken.

Just another link in a long chain of gripes.

JD
