
Subject: Defining constants in IDL?

Posted by [squad](#) on Fri, 21 Jun 2002 22:56:26 GMT

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I have a quick question. I am a big newbie when it comes to IDL, but the place that I work at uses it extensively. I am used to C/C++, and I want to know how does one define a constant in IDL (similar to `#DEFINE TRUE 1` in C/C++). I have read through the user manuals, but to no avail. Also, are there any good tutorials online to help a struggling newbie like me? The user manuals 'cover' all the material, but rather poorly.

Subject: Re: Defining constants in IDL?

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Sat, 29 Jun 2002 01:02:30 GMT

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Surendar Jeyadev (jeyadev@wrc.xerox.bounceback.com) writes:

> Thanks. Will give it a shot on Monday. Wonder why there isn't a simple
> "include" command!

Uh, I'm going to guess you're not nearly as old
as some of the rest of us in this group, Surendar. :-)

Cheers,

David

P.S. Let's just say if you were thinking "punch cards"
you would be closer to the answer.

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Subject: Re: Defining constants in IDL?

Posted by [jeyadev](#) on Mon, 01 Jul 2002 20:06:11 GMT

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In article <MPG.1786b50d8764c906989924@news.frii.com>,
David Fanning <david@dfanning.com> wrote:
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On the blink, as usual. I was amazed at how Python 'imported' modules even though it is similar to PV-Wave in its interpretive nature. Could never understand why Wave does not do the same thing.

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Subject: Re: Defining constants in IDL?
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 02 Jul 2002 00:34:14 GMT
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Oh, right. I've got to work on that picture. I've been reported to the Federal Trade Commission three times in the past six weeks for "false advertising". :-(

Cheers,

David

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