

Is there any difference between StringFromIID and StringFromCLSID?

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Some time ago, I displayed in tabular form the difference between `UuidToString`, `StringFromCLSID`, `StringFromIID`, `StringFromGUID2`. But the entries for `StringFromCLSID` and `StringFromIID` are identical. So what's the difference between those two?

There's no difference. The two functions are functionally identical.

So why have two functions that do the same thing?

Probably just to provide counterparts to their buddies `IIDFromString` and `CLSIDFromString`, which do behave differently, because `CLSIDFromString` also supports ProgIDs.