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Subject: Converters and Value problem

Posted by [mubeta](#) on Thu, 22 Jul 2010 20:44:04 GMT

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Hi all,

I am using my own class for converting an integer number in a binary mode:

```
...
Value ConvertBinShort::Scan(const Value& text) const
{
    Value v = UPP::ScanInt((const char*)String(text), NULL, 2);
    if(IsError(v)) return v;
    if(IsNull(v)) return notnull ? NotNullError() : v;
    int m = v;
    >>>>> if(m > 0x7FFF) m = 0xFFFF - m;
    if(m >= minval && m <= maxval) return v;
    return ErrorValue(UPP::Format(t_("Number must be between %X and %X."), minval, maxval));
}
...
```

For every type of number: char, short, int and int64 I have a different class. The same problem for Octal and Hexadecimal converters.

In fact, I don't find any solution for getting the type of the number from Value. Value allows only 32-bit integers, or 64-bit integers. This results in an error when the Scan() method verifies the Min and Max limits.

Now, with my 4 different classes: ConvertBinChar; ConvertBinShort, ConvertBinInt and ConvertBinInt64, (and other 4 more for Hex ... for Oct, etc), I am able to "rewind" the resulting number.

This is all because Value does not allow char and short numbers, so I am not able to write a unique converter that automatically recognizes the numbers' limit in bytes. (The main problem is when the ScanInt() results in a positive value, instead of negative, and I get an error of Min Max).

Question, (the same from two days ago, but maybe not so clear): can we add to the Value also char and short numbers, in the user application?? (All the code will be more light and much more clear than now).

Thanks.

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Subject: Re: Converters and Value problem

Posted by [mirek](#) on Fri, 23 Jul 2010 08:51:19 GMT

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mubeta wrote on Thu, 22 July 2010 16:44Hi all,  
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```
v.GetType() == INT_V
v.GetType() == INT64_V
```

or

```
v.Is<int>
v.Is<int64>
```

Not that I would recommend testing in most cases...

Mirek

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Subject: Re: Converters and Value problem  
Posted by [mubeta](#) on Fri, 23 Jul 2010 10:11:03 GMT  
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Mirek,  
yes, I know what you answer, but the problem is: Value don't allow char and short type, so, in fact, I am not able to recognize them from Value:

```
Value.GetType() == CHAR_V // does not exist
Value.GetType() == SHORT_V // does not exist
```

I work around PLC and small microcontrollers, where CHAR and SHORT are daily normal work.

If I develop an U++ application for communicate with this kind of device, char and short are basically need.

Example:  
char i;

i limits are: -128, +127 in decimal  
i limits are: 0x80, 0x7f in exadecimal  
etc...

If I use the converter, with minval and maxval, for show and edit one byte in exadecimal, (note that upp only allow integers), typing: FE result in a positive value, the editor complain about the max limit.

Second: Formatting -1 in exadecimal, for U++ result in "FFFFFFFFFFFF...", where, for char, must be only "FF".

So, again, for now I have, for every format, 4 different converter of type: char, short, int, and int64 (last one I really don't need), only for adjust the format result string, and for verify as well the typed value limits.

Hope this explain help you to undertand the my point of view.

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Subject: Re: Converters and Value problem  
Posted by [mirek](#) on Sun, 25 Jul 2010 07:18:54 GMT  
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mubeta wrote on Fri, 23 July 2010 06:11  
Example:  
char i;

i limits are: -128, +127 in decimal  
i limits are: 0x80, 0x7f in exadecimal  
etc...

Both ranges are subset of that one of int.

What you need here is special converter (one that enforces only -128, +127 range), not another Value type.

If you do not like having 4 Convert classes, create one parametrized..

Mirek

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