
Subject: Re: How to program real U++ applications

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koldo wrote on Mon, 22 March 2010 15:55Hello all

I would like to ask you how you design professional U++ applications.

Thinking in a GUI application with a main window, how do you connect classes with main class containing main Serialize/Xmlize configuration:

- Main class is a global variable.
- You include in classes constructor as argument a pointer to main class
- You access from a subclass the main class using `dynamic_cast<MainClass*>(GetParent()->GetParent()-> ...` as many times as necessary.

I usually use the global config scheme as well:

In your dialog cpp:

```
#define CONFIG_KEY "YourDialogClassName"
```

```
INITBLOCK {  
    RegisterGlobalConfig(CONFIG_KEY);  
}
```

before showing your dialog:

```
LoadFromGlobal(*this, CONFIG_KEY);
```

After closing it:

```
StoreToGlobal(*this, CONFIG_KEY);
```

And in your main window's Serialize method will be like this:

```
void MainWindow::Serialize(Stream& s)
```

```
{  
    int version = 1;  
    s / version;
```

```
    SerializePlacement(s);  
    some_member.Serialize(s);  
    SerializeGlobalConfigs(s);
```

```
    if(version<2) return;  
    //this is used in newer versions  
}
```