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Subject: Re: Eigen and UPP? (STL question?)  
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Hi GaroRobe!

Welcome to U++ Forum!

First, regarding your remark: Not using STL in past will actually make it simpler for you to get familiar with U++, since you won't have to get rid of the old habits

Now to the code: Simply put, the operator<< in U++ uses by default function AsString(), which transform the given object to Upp::String. This is in most cases done by just calling the objects ToString() method, but in cases of foreign types, like those from Eigen, you have to make a specialization of AsString, which would understand it. The simplest possible code to make this work (although not the best, but I didn't have much time to study Eigen internals ) can be this: #include <Core/Core.h>  
#include <Eigen/Dense>

```
using namespace Upp;  
using Eigen::MatrixXd;
```

```
NAMESPACE_UPP
```

```
template<>
```

```
String AsString(const MatrixXd& m) {
```

```
    std::stringstream tmp;
```

```
    tmp << m; // we just use eigen classes capability to write to std::ostream
```

```
    return tmp.str(); // here the std::string is 'magicaly' converted to Upp::String
```

```
}
```

```
END_UPP_NAMESPACE
```

```
CONSOLE_APP_MAIN
```

```
{
```

```
    MatrixXd m ( 2, 2 );
```

```
    m ( 0, 0 ) = 3;
```

```
    m ( 1, 0 ) = 2.5;
```

```
    m ( 0, 1 ) = -1;
```

```
    m ( 1, 1 ) = m ( 1, 0 ) + m ( 0, 1 );
```

```
    Cout() << m << '\n';
```

```
}
```

Hopefully this will give you an idea

Best regards,  
Honza

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