
Subject: Bugfix: XmlParser in endless loop

Posted by [zsolt](#) on Mon, 02 Oct 2023 16:07:03 GMT

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Subject: Re: Bugfix: XmlParser in endless loop

Posted by [mirek](#) on Mon, 02 Oct 2023 22:55:05 GMT

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I am not 100% sure about removing ReadText to skip empty text, I think there are cornercases that require that (I bet it is actually a fix).

But this definitely should work:

```
if(p.ReadText().GetCount() == 0) // skip empty text
    throw XmlError("Unexpected text");
```

(in master now)

Subject: Re: Bugfix: XmlParser in endless loop
Posted by [zsolt](#) on Wed, 04 Oct 2023 01:10:36 GMT
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Yes, it is a good idea. And seems to be working with my user provided test "XML" as well :)

Thank you.

Subject: Re: Bugfix: XmlParser in endless loop
Posted by [mirek](#) on Mon, 09 Oct 2023 08:32:48 GMT
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So that fix proved wrong, breaking autotests, so I have reverted and provided proper fix by moving the check / throw one level up:

```
static XmlNode sReadXmlNode(XmlParser& p, ParseXmlFilter *filter, dword style)
{
    XmlNode m;
    if(p.IsTag()) {
        String tag = p.ReadTag();
        if(!filter || filter->DoTag(tag)) {
            m.CreateTag(tag);
            m.SetAttrs(p.PickAttrs());
            while(!p.End())
                if(!Ignore(p, style)) {
                    XmlNode n = sReadXmlNode(p, filter, style);
                    if(n.GetType() != XML_DOC) // tag was ignored
                        m.Add() = pick(n);
                }
            if(filter)
                filter->EndTag();
        }
        else
            p.SkipEnd();
        return m;
    }
    if(p.IsPI()) {
        m.CreatePI(p.ReadPI());
        return m;
    }
    if(p.IsDecl()) {
        m.CreateDecl(p.ReadDecl());
        return m;
    }
    if(p.IsComment()) {
        m.CreateComment(p.ReadComment());
        return m;
    }
    if(p.IsText()) {
        m.CreateText(p.ReadText());
        m.Shrink();
        return m;
    }
}
```

```
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}

void ParseXmlFilter::EndTag() {}

XmlNode ParseXML(XmlParser& p, dword style, ParseXmlFilter *filter)
{
    XmlNode r;
    while(!p.IsEof())
        if(!Ignore(p, style)) {
            XmlNode n = sReadXmlNode(p, filter, style);
            if(n.GetType() != XML_DOC) // tag was ignored
                r.Add() = pick(n);
            else {
                if(p.IsRelaxed())
                    p.Skip();
                else
                    throw XmlError("Unexpected text");
            }
        }
    return r;
}
```

Subject: Re: Bugfix: XmlParser in endless loop
Posted by [zsolt](#) on Thu, 12 Oct 2023 03:15:42 GMT
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Thank you.
Working well.
