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Subject: Value: BOOLEAN\_V, USERVALUE\_V [REQUEST]

Posted by [fallingdutch](#) on Thu, 14 Dec 2006 11:00:55 GMT

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HI,

i would like two new const int for Values and one new type:

the new const ints are

- USERVALUE\_V which should be the first free to use Value-Type ID
- BOOLEAN\_V the id of the new Type BOOLEAN

I need Boolean for XML-Rpc:

```
//Value.h
```

```
const int USERVALUE_V = 1024;
```

```
const int BOOLEAN_V = [booleanid];
```

```
inline dword ValueTypeNo(const bool) {return BOOLEAN_V;}
```

```
//Value.cpp
```

```
Value::Value(bool b)          { ptr = new RichValueRep<bool>(b); }
```

```
Value::operator bool() const
```

```
{  
  if(IsNull()) return false;  
  return (GetType()==BOOLEAN_V)?bool(RichValue<bool>::Extract(*this)): operator int();  
}
```

i guess that should do it.

Bas

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Subject: Re: Value: BOOLEAN\_V, USERVALUE\_V [REQUEST]

Posted by [mirek](#) on Thu, 14 Dec 2006 19:28:02 GMT

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Mirek

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Posted by [fallingdutch](#) on Fri, 15 Dec 2006 08:41:04 GMT

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luzr wrote on Thu, 14 December 2006 20:28l am not quite sure BOOL\_V is a good idea, but be it...

Why isn't it a good idea in your oppinon?  
it is needed in database, too

luzr wrote on Thu, 14 December 2006 20:28

But IMHO be aware that such solution is extremely fragile because of conversions between numerical values (note that IsNumber is the recommended method of type inquiry there). What about just adding a new ID BOOL\_V and a function IsBool that returns true if the Value was constructed with a bool as param.

all other conversions will stay the same, so bool is returned as integer, means IsNumber tests on BOOL\_V, too and BOOL\_V is casted to int every time. so the whole is not broken, but one can distinguish, wether the value was created with a boolean or with any other number.

That would result in:

```
//Value.h
const int BOOLEAN_V = [booleanid];
inline dword ValueTypeNo(const bool) {return BOOLEAN_V;}
inline bool IsNumber(const Value& v) { return v.GetType() == DOUBLE_V || v.GetType() ==
INT_V || \
v.GetType() == BOOL_V || v.GetType() == INT64_V; }
```

```
//Value.cpp
```

```
Value::Value(bool b) { ptr = new RichValueRep<bool>(b);}
Value::operator int() const //same for int64, double
{
if(IsNull()) return Null;
return GetType() == INT_V ? RichValue<int>::Extract(*this)
: GetType() == INT64_V ? int(RichValue<int64>::Extract(*this))
: GetType() == BOOL_V ? int(RichValue<bool>::Extract(*this))
: int(RichValue<double>::Extract(*this));
}
```

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That would mean i have to create a RpcValue:Value with just the changes mentioned above.

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Posted by [mirek](#) on Fri, 15 Dec 2006 09:40:34 GMT

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Well, that is what I have done yesterday.... (no IsBool there, but you can use GetType).

But still seems fragile to me.

Quote:

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Mirek

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Posted by [fallingdutch](#) on Fri, 15 Dec 2006 09:48:43 GMT

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thank you, Mirek

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Bas

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Posted by [mirek](#) on Fri, 15 Dec 2006 10:54:52 GMT

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Well, note that all the trouble is result of "numeric" ids. Maybe we should rather use texts (and numerics just for a couple of "internal" ids).

Mirek

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