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Posted by [kohait00](#) on Tue, 02 Feb 2010 15:31:20 GMT
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Posted by [mirek](#) on Tue, 02 Feb 2010 21:52:37 GMT
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Hm, is that correct implementation?

I would say something like

```
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is the correct one?

Another problem there is that this kind of detach is quite slow. Maybe we need DetachUnlink too (?).

Mirek

Subject: Re: T* Detach() for ArrayMap

Posted by [kohait00](#) on Wed, 03 Feb 2010 05:57:53 GMT

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this kind of approach is not possible for Vector and VectorMap though, the objects are stored on a consecutive mem space, which can only be Removed(). but Vector/VectorMap requires to have a Movable object (objects are reorganized on storage space during growth/shrink of vector), so why not having same Detach() also here? which would simply copy the stored object to a decent new place and return pointer? maybe because its no real "detach".. but it would make life easier, when exchanging vector to array, array to map or what ever. dont know for sure if it makes sense.

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It is not quite typical situation. If you really need something like that, you can use Swap, which leads to similar results...

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Good point

Mirek

Subject: Re: T* Detach() for ArrayMap
Posted by [mirek](#) on Wed, 03 Feb 2010 10:26:37 GMT
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Detach added.

Mirek
