
Subject: Xmlize values

Posted by [mdelfede](#) on Tue, 23 Feb 2010 23:12:28 GMT

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Here the sample code for few types :

```
template<> void Xmlize(XmlIO xml, Value& var)
{
    dword type;

    if(xml.IsLoading())
    {
        xml.Attr("type", type);
        switch(type)
        {
            case INT_V:
            {
                int i;
                xml.Attr("value", i);
                var = i;
                break;
            }
            case DOUBLE_V:
            {
                double d;
                xml.Attr("value", d);
                var = d;
                break;
            }
            case STRING_V:
            {
                String s;
                xml.Attr("value", s);
                var = s;
                break;
            }
            case BOOL_V:
            {
                bool b;
                xml.Attr("value", b);
                var = b;
                break;
            }
            case WSTRING_V:
            case DATE_V:
            case TIME_V:
            case VALUE_V:
```

```

case VALUEARRAY_V:
case INT64_V:
case VOID_V:
case ERROR_V:
case VALUEMAP_V:
case UNKNOWN_V:
default:
    NEVER();
    break;
}
}
else
{
    type = var.GetType();
    xml.Attr("type", type);
    switch(type)
    {
        case INT_V:
        {
            int i = var;
            xml.Attr("value", i);
            break;
        }
        case DOUBLE_V:
        {
            double d = var;
            xml.Attr("value", d);
            break;
        }
        case STRING_V:
        {
            String s = var;
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            break;
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Ciao

Max

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Posted by [mdelfede](#) on Tue, 23 Feb 2010 23:20:22 GMT

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For Koldo, a sample ArrayCtrl xmlized with some processing added on load/store.... just a small part of my app.

```

void GenericLoads::Xmlize(XmlIO xml)
{
    Vector<Vector<Value> >vc;
    Vector<Vector<Value> >vl;
    xml("DAN", DANName);
    if(xml.IsStoring())
    {
        for(int iCond = 0; iCond < conds.GetCount(); iCond++)
            vc.Add(conds.ReadRow(iCond));
        xml("Conds", vc);
        for(int iLoad = 0; iLoad < loads.GetCount(); iLoad++)
            vl.Add(ReadLoadLine(iLoad));
        xml("Loads", vl);
    }
    else
    {
        // setup measurement units reading them
        // from global settings
        distribUM = globalSettings().GetUnitMisura().Distribuiti;
        concentrUM = globalSettings().GetUnitMisura().Concentrati;
        lengthUM = globalSettings().GetUnitMisura().Lunghezze;

        xml("Conds", vc);
    }
}

```

```
xml("Loads", vl);
conds.SetCount(vc.GetCount());
loads.SetCount(vl.GetCount());
PropagateDAN(DANName);
for(int iCond = 0; iCond < vc.GetCount(); iCond++)
    conds.Set(iCond, vc[iCond]);
SyncConds();
for(int iLoad = 0; iLoad < vl.GetCount(); iLoad++)
    WriteLoadLine(iLoad, vl[iLoad]);

// synchronize labels
SyncLoads();
}
}
```

Subject: Re: Xmlize values

Posted by [koldo](#) on Wed, 24 Feb 2010 11:14:09 GMT

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Great Massimo

It is true that Value Xmlize implementation can be improved, but it is outside my knowledge .

Based in your code I have prepared Xmlize for GridCtrl so now it is possible to serialize a class with a GridCtrl inside with just this:

```
void MyClass::Xmlize(XmlIO xml) {
    xml
    ("grid", myGrid)
    ;
}
```

It is very simple

Unodgs: Could you include this en GridCtrl ?. From inside the class it would be much more efficient.

Subject: Re: Xmlize values

Posted by [mirek](#) on Fri, 26 Feb 2010 10:57:36 GMT

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What do you think?

Mirek

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Posted by [koldo](#) on Fri, 26 Feb 2010 11:27:38 GMT

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Hello Mirek

This is out of my knowledge. I am not strong in templates but, it would be great if Value Xmlize would use automatically the Xmlize method for every class.

I mean, this is a detail of actual implementation:

```
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```

```
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var = i;
break;
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break;
... the same for all Value types
```

However it would be great to have something like this (pseudocode):

```
template<> void Xmlize(XmlIO xml, Value& var) {
    dword t;

    if(xml.IsLoading()) {
        xml.Attr("type", t);
        xml.Attr("value", var->v as type t); // force var to be as its type
    } else {
        ...
    }
}
```

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Ciao

Max

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Oh, I have meant only types that have binary serialization support in Value, of course...

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True, but XML being backward compatible gives you opportunity to fix that later...

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Maybe. Perhaps needs more thinking...
Ciao

Max
[/quote]

Subject: Re: Xmlize values
Posted by [mirek](#) on Sun, 28 Feb 2010 14:08:37 GMT
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Posted by [koldo](#) on Sun, 28 Feb 2010 14:44:05 GMT
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Value .xml implementation has been changed so I have lost some data but I will recover it .

Are you going to add new Xmlize functions for CtrlLib classes ?

Subject: Re: Xmlize values
Posted by [mirek](#) on Sun, 28 Feb 2010 16:03:59 GMT
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Mirek

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Posted by [koldo](#) on Sun, 28 Feb 2010 16:32:44 GMT
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Now it is not exactly the same, but no problem :

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<item type="String">This is a text</item>
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```

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Posted by [mdelfede](#) on Sun, 28 Feb 2010 19:41:14 GMT
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Mirek

Perfect

I removed my quick-and-dirty value xmlizer and used yours in my app. Different file format, indeed, so I'm happy it happened before deploying my app

Ciao

Max

Subject: Re: Xmlize values

Posted by [mirek](#) on Sun, 28 Feb 2010 22:09:41 GMT

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koldo wrote on Sun, 28 February 2010 11:32Hello Mirek

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In Ctrl::Xmlize?

Mirek

Subject: Re: Xmlize values

Posted by [mdelfede](#) on Mon, 01 Mar 2010 08:53:22 GMT

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Btw, I was wondering why for string type the 'value' tag is missing..... or why it is present for other value types.

Max

Subject: Re: Xmlize values

Posted by [mirek](#) on Mon, 01 Mar 2010 09:20:18 GMT

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mdelfede wrote on Mon, 01 March 2010 03:53Btw, I was wondering why for string type the 'value' tag is missing..... or why it is present for other value types.

Max

Frankly, there is no hard reason, except maybe esthetics.

Well, maybe we should actually do without "value" attribute (putting all values as text between two tags). That would be more code in Xmlize.cpp.. (because for basic types, we like to have them as attributes too).

But for plain text, it just seemed too weird to put it with attr:)

Mirek

Subject: Re: Xmlize values

Posted by [Mindtraveller](#) on Mon, 01 Mar 2010 09:53:00 GMT

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luzr wrote on Mon, 01 March 2010 12:20But for plain text, it just seemed too weird to put it with attr:)May be not, if xmlizing text will require different call. Value may represent different types with the same interface, so should value's xmlization too. This will be right solution IMO.

Subject: Re: Xmlize values

Posted by [mdelfede](#) on Mon, 01 Mar 2010 10:08:41 GMT

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Mirek

Ah, no need to change (please, don't do !), I was just curious.

Ciao

Max

Subject: Re: Xmlize values

Posted by [Mindtraveller](#) on Mon, 08 Mar 2010 23:12:22 GMT

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Recently I had runtime exception with this code when trying to load from XML file:

```
class XXXXX: public XXXXParent
{
public:
    virtual void Xmlize(XmlIO &xml)
    {
        XXXXParent::Xmlize(xml);
        xml.Attr("id", id);
        xml ("v", v); // <-- exception here!!
    }
private:
    String id;
    Value v;
};
```

file contained these tags:

```
Quote: <element type="2" i="5404" x="24" y="17" l="20" dir="0" dir2="-1" input0="4587"
input1="0" link0="5405" link1="0" id="asd">
    <v type="String">234234234234234</v>
</element>
```

Subject: Re: Xmlize values

Posted by [mirek](#) on Tue, 09 Mar 2010 08:35:42 GMT

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Mindtraveller wrote on Mon, 08 March 2010 18:12Recently I had runtime exception with this code when trying to load from XML file:

```
class XXXXX: public XXXXParent
{
```

```

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```

What about to tell us about XXXParent::Xmlize? Or kind of runtime exception?

Full testcase would be highly appreciated!

Mirek

Subject: Re: Xmlize values
 Posted by [Mindtraveller](#) on Tue, 09 Mar 2010 12:40:17 GMT
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Finally the problem is with de-xmlizing Value set to some integer value with stored something like String.

```

#include <Core/Core.h>
using namespace Upp;

struct A
{
  void Xmlize(XmlIO &xml) { xml ("v",v); } //<-- exception on 2nd call

  Value v;
};

CONSOLE_APP_MAIN
{
  A a;
  a.v = "test";
  StoreAsXMLFile(a, "XmlizeTest", "xmlizeTtest");
}

```

```
a.v = 0;
LoadFromXMLFile(a, "xmlizeTtest");
}
```

Subject: Re: Xmlize values

Posted by [mirek](#) on Wed, 10 Mar 2010 07:55:32 GMT

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Thank you, fixed.

Mirek
