

C#.NET WPF

Introduction

Ressources de notre formation

- Pour les débutants...
 - ▶ Apress : **Illustrated WPF** by Daniel M. Solis
 - ▶ Couvre les concepts et **mécanismes de base**
- ... jusqu'aux professionnels
 - ▶ Apress : **Applied WPF 4 in Context** de Raffaele Garofalo
 - ▶ Couvre les techniques actuelles d'architecture
- Référence MSDN (Framework 4.5)
 - ▶ <http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ms754130>

WPF ?

- **Windows Presentation Foundation**
 - ▶ A **graphical** subsystem
 - ▶ To create **rich client** applications for Windows systems
- User interface based on **XAML**
 - ▶ Extensible **A**pplication **M**arkup **L**anguage
 - ▶ To **decouple** the UI code from the C# core development process



Introducing WPF

- Version 4.0
 - ▶ with the .NET Framework 4
- To build two different types of WPF applications
 - ▶ A stand-alone application .exe
 - for Windows
 - ▶ An in-browser application .xbap
 - for Internet Explorer
- Powerful UI controls
 - ▶ Office-style
- Vectorial UI technology

Bitmap vs Vector Image

Illustrated WPF

← Bitmap Image

Illustrated WPF

← Vector Image

Vector Graphics File Extensions

.svg

.cgm

.pdf

.eps

.hpgl

.swf

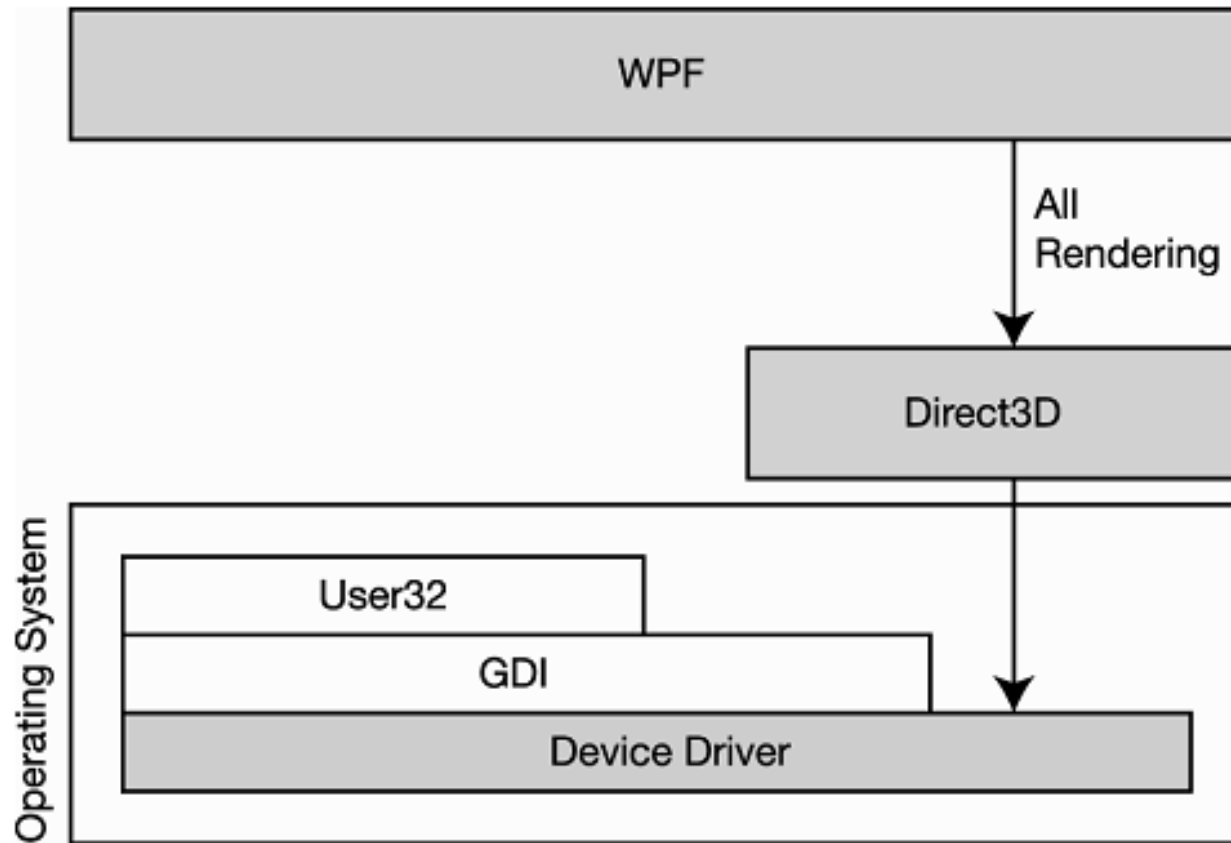
Les outils de travail Microsoft

- Visual Studio 2015
 - Development-oriented audience
- Expression Studio
 - Expression Blend
 - Design-oriented audience

Microsoft Expression Blend

- Sketchflow
 - ▶ To build dynamic mock-up applications for WPF, Silverlight and Windows Phone 7
- Import
 - ▶ Files from graphic software without losing the structure
- Behaviors
 - ▶ Animations to your UI
- Sample data, transitions, intellisense, templates

Rendering under WPF



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XAML

Introducing XAML

- Declarative Markup Language
 - Extension of type .xaml
 - Encoding in UTF-8
 - For WPF, Silverlight and Workflow Foundation
- Sample XAML Code

```
<StackPanel>  
  <ListBox>  
    <ListBoxItem Content="One" />  
    <ListBoxItem Content="Two" IsSelected="True" />  
    <ListBoxItem Content="Three" />  
  </ListBox>  
</StackPanel>
```

Namespaces and Root Elements

- The **xmlns attribute** indicates the default XAML namespace

```
<Window x:Class="WpfApplicationDemo1.MainWindow"
  xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml/presentation"
  xmlns:x="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
  Title="MainWindow" Height="350" Width="525">
  <Grid>
  </Grid>
</Window>
```

- In a WPF context, the root element of a XAML file will be **Window, Application, UserControl, Page,...**

Attributes Syntax and Content

- Any value is specified as a **String** value type

```
<Button Height="40" Width="120">
```

```
  <Button.Content>
```

```
    <StackPanel Orientation="Horizontal">
```

```
      <Image Source="home_go_32.png" Margin="0,0,5,0" />
```

```
      <TextBlock VerticalAlignment="Center" Text="HomePage"/>
```

```
    </StackPanel>
```

```
  </Button.Content>
```

```
</Button>
```

- In XAML, the content can be **simple or complex**, like a panel with nested UI controls

The Code Behind

- One file MainWindow.xaml
 - XAML
- One file MainWindow.xaml.cs
 - C#
 - Code-behind file

Events in XAML

- When you click a Button, the UI raises an event Click associated to that button

// XAML File

```
<Button Click="Click_Event">Hello World</Button>
```

// C# Code-behind

```
private void Click_Event(object sender, RoutedEventArgs e)
{
    Console.WriteLine("Hello World");
}
```

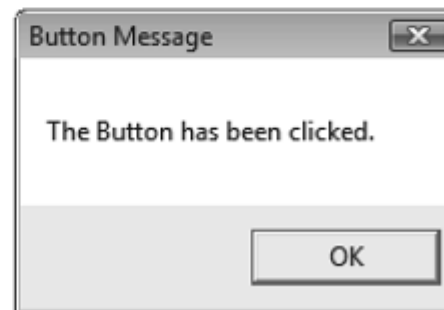
```
<Window x:Class="ButtonOnClick.Window1" ... Height="120" Width="150">
  <StackPanel>
    <Button Click="Button_Click">Click Me</Button>
  </StackPanel>
</Window>
```

```
public partial class Window1 : Window
{
    public Window1() { InitializeComponent(); }

    private void Button_Click( object sender, RoutedEventArgs e )
    {
        MessageBox.Show( "The Button has been clicked.", "Button Message" );
    }
}
```

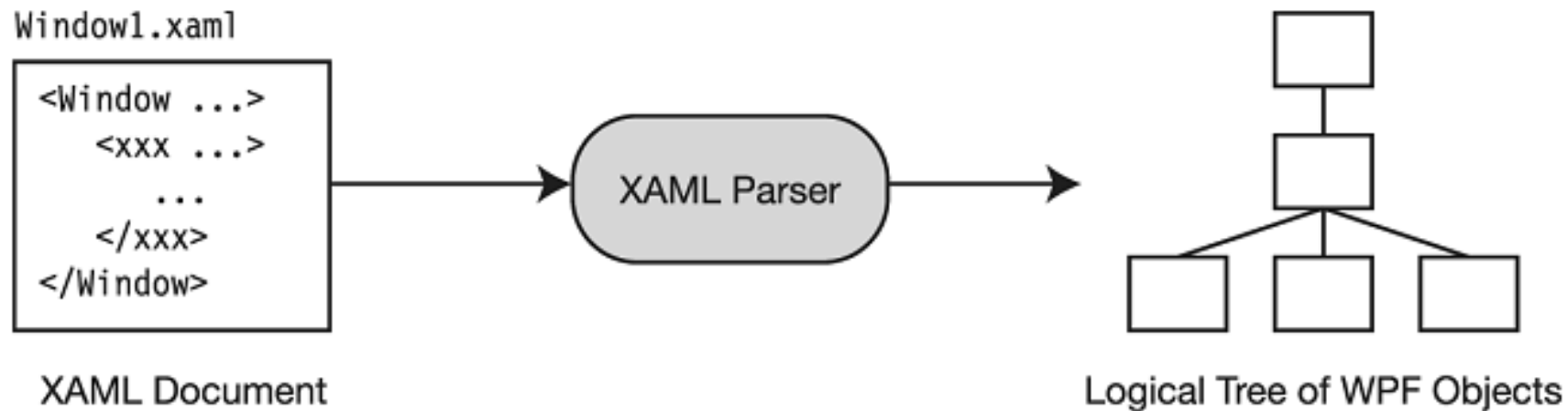


The Button in the
Program Window



The MessageBox Produced
by Clicking the Button

XAML Parser

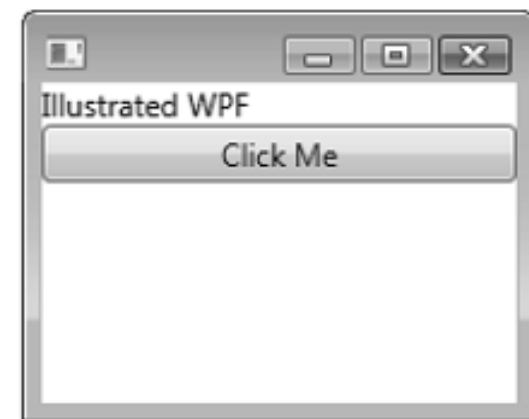
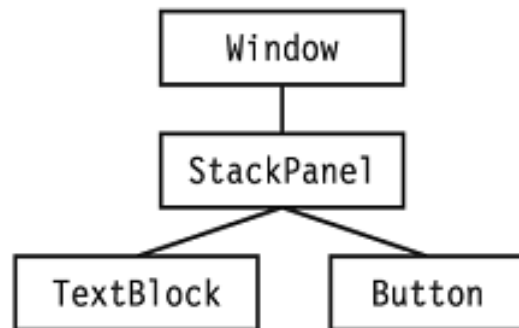


Logical Tree of WPF Objects

```
<Window x:Class="SimpleTreeXAML.Window1" ... >  
  <StackPanel>  
    <TextBlock>  
      Illustrated WPF  
    </TextBlock>  
    <Button>  
      Click Me  
    </Button>  
  </StackPanel>  
</Window>
```

Diagram illustrating the logical tree structure of the XAML code above. The tree is organized as follows:

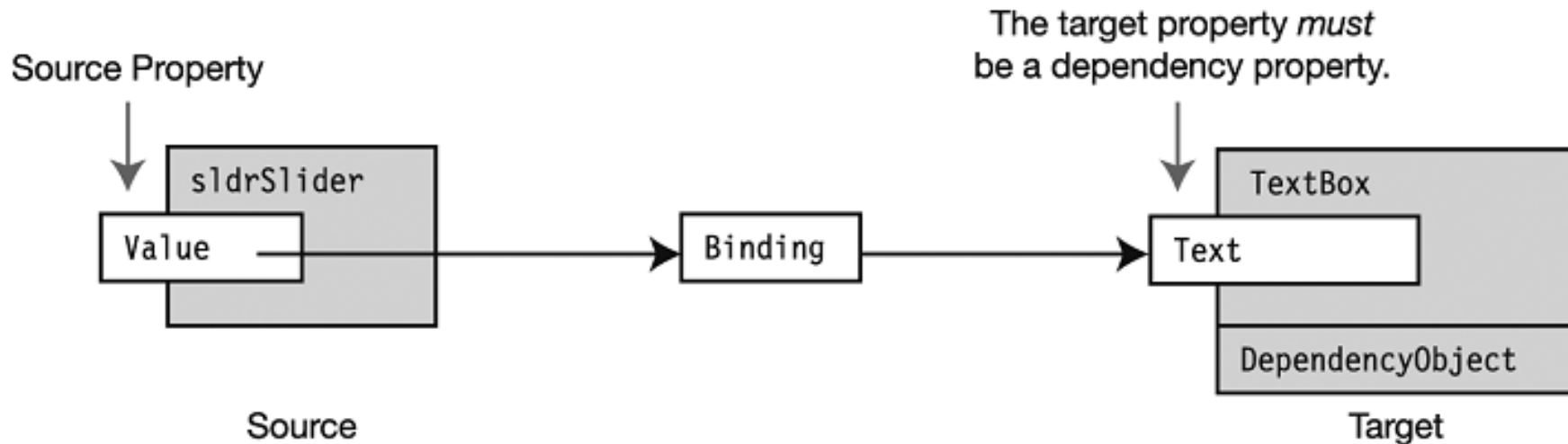
- Window** (Root)
 - StackPanel**
 - TextBlock** (Contains "Illustrated WPF")
 - Button** (Contains "Click Me")



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Binding

Source to Target



Binding with a Markup Extension

The following markup shows just the attribute being set by the Binding markup extension:

No Quotation Marks Inside Markup Extension

↓ ↓ ↓ ↓

Text="{Binding ElementName=sldrSlider, Path=Value}"

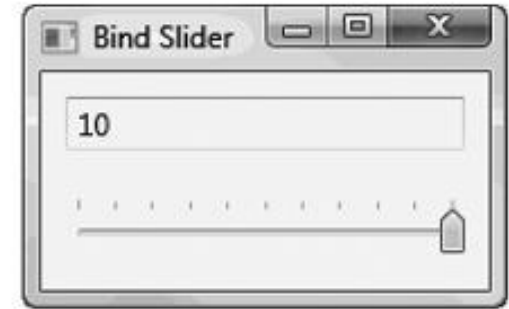
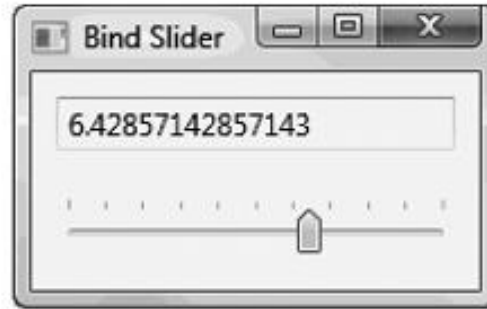
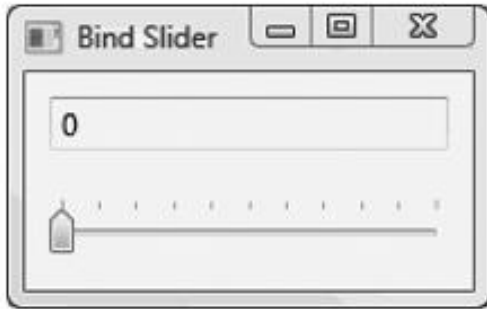
↑

Comma Separates Parameters

There are several important things you should notice about this syntax:

- The name of the markup extension class is `Binding`. In this instance, it has two parameters, which can be placed in either order.
 - The `ElementName` parameter specifies the source element containing the property to which you want to bind the target.
 - The `Path` parameter specifies the name of a public property inside the specified element. If the property is nested inside the main element, the path must be specified using dot-syntax notation.

Example



Binding Direction

In the previous example, the update data went in only one direction—from the TextBox to the Label—from the source to the target. There are several other options as well, including data going both directions and data going from the target to the source.

You set the direction of the data update by setting the Binding object's Mode property to one of the following values:

- **OneWay**: Updates the target when the source changes.
- **TwoWay**: Updates in both directions. Updates the target when the source changes and updates the source when the target changes.
- **OneWayToSource**: Updates the source when the target changes.
- **OneTime**: Updates the target property once, with the source's initial value. After that, the target isn't updated again.
- **Default**: Uses the default binding mode of the target.

Triggers

Before continuing, let's review the behavior of the Slider/TextBox binding. When you change the position of the slider, the value in the TextBox is updated immediately. But when you change the value of the TextBox, the slider isn't updated until the focus in the window changes. The differences in their behavior depend on two factors—the direction of the update and the value of the Binding object's UpdateSourceTrigger.

The behavior for updating depends on the direction of the update, as follows:

- When the direction of the update is from the *source* to the *target*, the update always happens *immediately*.
- When the direction of the update is from the *target* to the *source*, then when the update occurs depends on the value of the UpdateSourceTrigger property of the Binding.

Figure 8-7 summarizes these points for the three major modes.

Mode	Direction of Update	Update When
OneWay	S → T	Immediate
TwoWay	S → T	Immediate
	S ← T	Depends on Value of UpdateSourceTrigger
OneWayToSource	S ← T	Depends on Value of UpdateSourceTrigger

Target to Source

For example, if you set the value of `UpdateSourceTrigger` to `PropertyChanged`, as in the following markup, the slider will move immediately when you change the text in the `TextBox`, as long as the text is a valid number:

```
<StackPanel>  
  <TextBox Margin="10" Text="{Binding ElementName=sldrSlider, Path=Value,  
    UpdateSourceTrigger=PropertyChanged}" />      ← Set the trigger.  
  <Slider Name="sldrSlider" TickPlacement="TopLeft" Margin="10"/>  
</StackPanel>
```

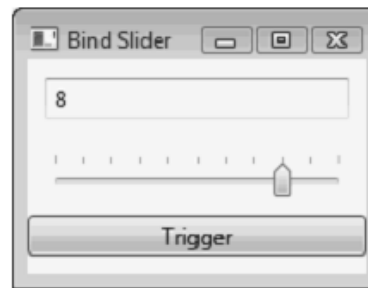



Figure 8-8. *Update the source explicitly when the Trigger button is clicked.*

To do that, you set the `UpdateSourceTrigger` to `Explicit` as shown in the following markup:

```
<StackPanel>
  <TextBox Margin="10" Name="tbValue"
    Text="{Binding ElementName=sldrSlider, Path=Value,
      UpdateSourceTrigger=Explicit}" />      ← Set the trigger.
  <Slider Name="sldrSlider" TickPlacement="TopLeft" Margin="10"/>
  <Button Click="Button_Click">Trigger</Button>
</StackPanel>
```

In the code-behind, you need to create an event handler for the button, to trigger the explicit update. You accomplish this by getting the `BindingExpression` for the target property and calling its `UpdateSource` method:

```
public partial class Window1 : Window
{
    public Window1() { InitializeComponent(); }

    private void Button_Click( object sender, RoutedEventArgs e )
    {
        BindingExpression be =
            tbValue.GetBindingExpression( TextBox.TextProperty );
        be.UpdateSource();
    }
}
```

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Resources

Static Resource

- Demo : WpfApplicationExample.sln

```
<StackPanel>
  <StackPanel.Resources>
    <SolidColorBrush x:Key="background" Color="Silver"/>
  </StackPanel.Resources>
  <Button Background="{StaticResource background}">Button 1</Button>
</StackPanel>
```

Key Attribute

Property Element Syntax

Specify the Key.

Markup Extension Class

Key

Dynamic Resource

- Déclaration
 - ▶ ... x:Key="gradBrush" ...
- Utilisation(s)
 - ▶ Background="{DynamicResource gradBrush}"
- Modification(s)
 - ▶ this.Resources["gradBrush"] = Brushes.Silver;

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Styles

Styles

- Apply a group of property settings to a number of different elements
- Styles are declared as resources

```
<Window.Resources>
```

```
<Style ...>
```

```
...
```

```
</Style>
```

```
</Window.Resources>
```

- Named Styles and Targeted Styles

Named Styles

Diagram illustrating the structure of a `<Style>` element:

```
<Style x:Key="buttonStyle">
  <Setter Property="Button.Height" Value="40" />
  <Setter Property="Button.Width" Value="110" />
  <Setter Property="Button.FontSize" Value="16" />
  <Setter Property="Button.FontWeight" Value="Bold" />
</Style>
```

Annotations:

- Key**: Points to `x:Key="buttonStyle"`.
- Style Name Suffix**: Points to the suffix `buttonStyle`.
- Property Attribute**: Points to the `Property` attribute of a `<Setter>`.
- Setters for a Named Style Must Include a Class Name**: Points to the `Property` attribute of a `<Setter>`.
- Value Attribute**: Points to the `Value` attribute of a `<Setter>`.

```
<Button Style="{StaticResource buttonStyle}">Button 1</Button>
```

↑
Retrieve the style
from the Resources collection.

Data Templates

Declare the control template.

```
<Window.Resources>
  <DataTemplate x:Key="NiceFormat">
    <Border Margin="1" BorderBrush="Blue"
      BorderThickness="2" CornerRadius="2">
      <Grid>
        <Grid.RowDefinitions>
          <RowDefinition/><RowDefinition/>
        </Grid.RowDefinitions>
        <Grid.ColumnDefinitions>
          <ColumnDefinition Width="60"/><ColumnDefinition Width="20"/>
        </Grid.ColumnDefinitions>
        <TextBlock FontWeight="Bold" Grid.Row="0" Grid.Column="0"
          Text="{Binding FirstName}" Padding="2"/>
        <Rectangle Grid.Row="0" Grid.Column="1" Grid.RowSpan="2"
          Fill="{Binding FavoriteColor}"/>
        <TextBlock Padding="2" Grid.Row="1" Grid.Column="0"
          Text="{Binding Age}"/>
      </Grid>
    </Border>
  </DataTemplate>
</Window.Resources>
```

Bind to a field in the DataContext.

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Apply the data template.

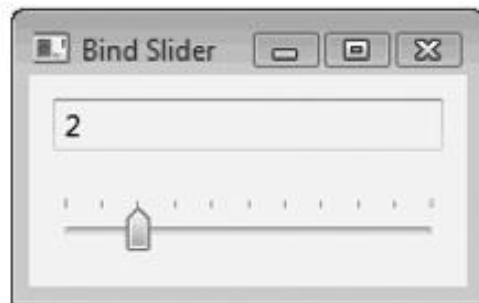
```
<StackPanel Orientation="Horizontal">
  <ListBox Name="listPeople" SelectedIndex="0" VerticalAlignment="Top"
    ItemTemplate="{StaticResource NiceFormat}"/>
  <StackPanel Orientation="Vertical" Name="sp" Margin="10, 5"
    DataContext="{Binding ElementName=listPeople, Path=SelectedItem}">
    <Label Name="lblFName" FontWeight="Bold" FontSize="16"/>
    <Label Name="lblAge"/>
    <Label Name="lblColor"/>
  </StackPanel>
</StackPanel>
```


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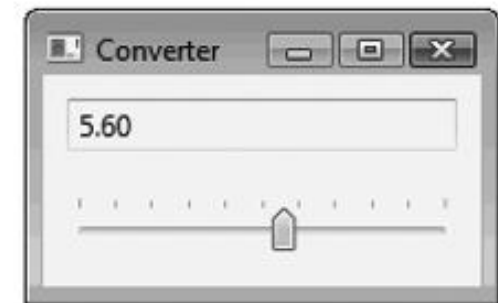
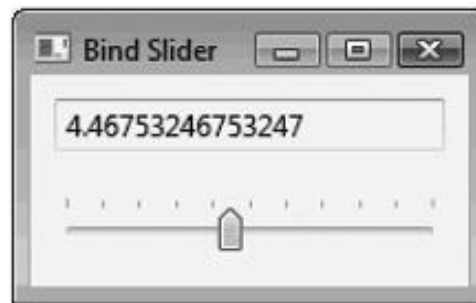
Data Converters

Data Converters

- To manipulate the data between the source and the target



Without a Data Converter



With a Data Converter

As an example, the following markup and code implement a TextBox/Slider window where the TextBox always shows two decimal places, as shown in the third window of Figure 8-9. The following data converter class, called `DisplayTwoDecPlaces`, is in a separate file called `DisplayTwoDecPlaces.cs`. The namespace of my project, in this particular case, is `TwoWayConverter`.

```
using System;
using System.Windows.Data;

namespace TwoWayConverter
{
    [ValueConversion( typeof( double ), typeof( string ) )]
    public class DisplayTwoDecPlaces : IValueConverter
    {
        public object Convert( object value, Type targetType,
            object parameter, System.Globalization.CultureInfo culture )
        {
            double dValue = (double) value;
            return dValue.ToString( "F2" );
        }

        public object ConvertBack( object value, Type targetType,
            object parameter, System.Globalization.CultureInfo culture )
        {
            double dValue;
            double.TryParse( (string) value, out dValue );
            return dValue;
        }
    }
}
```

Converter with the Binding

The following is the markup for the program. Notice that you need to add the namespace of the project to use the data converter class and then associate the converter with the binding.

```
<Window x:Class="TwoWayConverter.Window1" ...  
  xmlns:local="clr-namespace:TwoWayConverter"> ← Add Project Namespace  
  <StackPanel>  
    <TextBox Margin="10">  
      <TextBox.Text>  
        <Binding ElementName="slldrSlider" Path="Value">  
  
          <Binding.Converter> ← Associate Converter with the Binding  
            <local:DisplayTwoDecPlaces/>  
          </Binding.Converter>  
  
        </Binding>  
      </TextBox.Text>  
    </TextBox>  
    <Slider Name="slldrSlider" TickPlacement="TopLeft" Margin="10"/>  
  </StackPanel>  
</Window>
```

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Datacontext

Datacontext & binding

- Provide data for binding from a class, ...
- inheritance

Datacontext & binding - sample

Xaml.cs :

```
EtudiantsData etuds = new EtudiantsData();  
this.datagrid.DataContext =etuds;
```

Datacontext & binding - sample

EtudiantsData.cs :

```
public class EtudiantsData
{
    private IList<Etudiant> etudList;

    public ListEtud {
        get { return etudList;}
    }
}

public class Etudiant {
    private string _nom;
    public Nom {
        get { return _nom;}
    }
}
```


Datacontext & binding - sample

.xaml :

```
<ComboBox x:Name=«comboEtud» ..... ItemsSource="{Binding}/>
```

....

```
<Label x:Name="nomEtud" Content="{Binding  
ElementName=comboEtud ,Path=SelectedItem.Nom}" />
```