Advanced Programming 2

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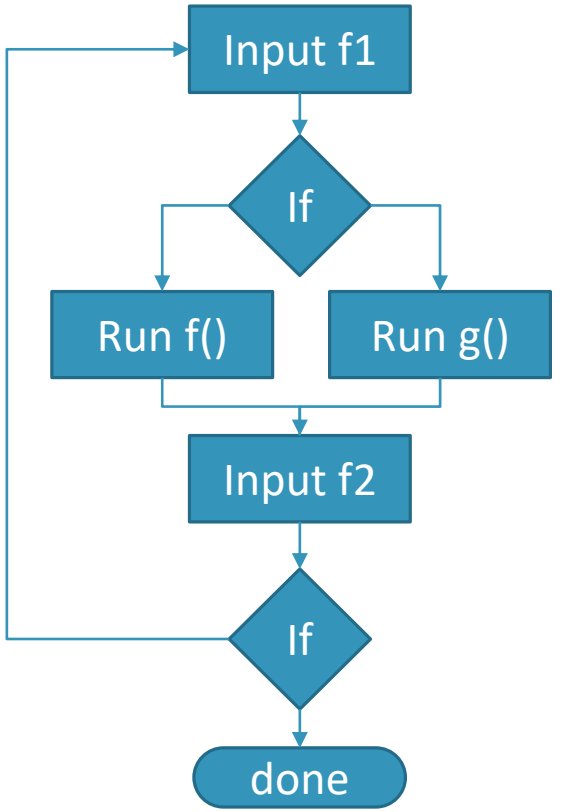
Agenda…

- Event Driven Programming
- The Multiplatform GUI problem (JVM)
- Visual editor to XML (and not code)
- WPF (.Net)
  - WPF tutorial
- XAML
- Custom WPF Control

Event Driven Programming

Procedural Programming

- A procedural program **dictates** when events (or inputs) are acquired
- Events / inputs are acquired in a procedural manner
  - Get an input
  - Handle the input
  - Get the next input, and so on…
- Suitable for console applications
- NOT suitable for
  - GUI based applications – where the user dictates when events occur
    - e.g., the user decides what button to push and when to push it
  - Server side – where clients dictate when events occur
    - i.e., the server does not know when clients will connect or what will they request
  - etc.



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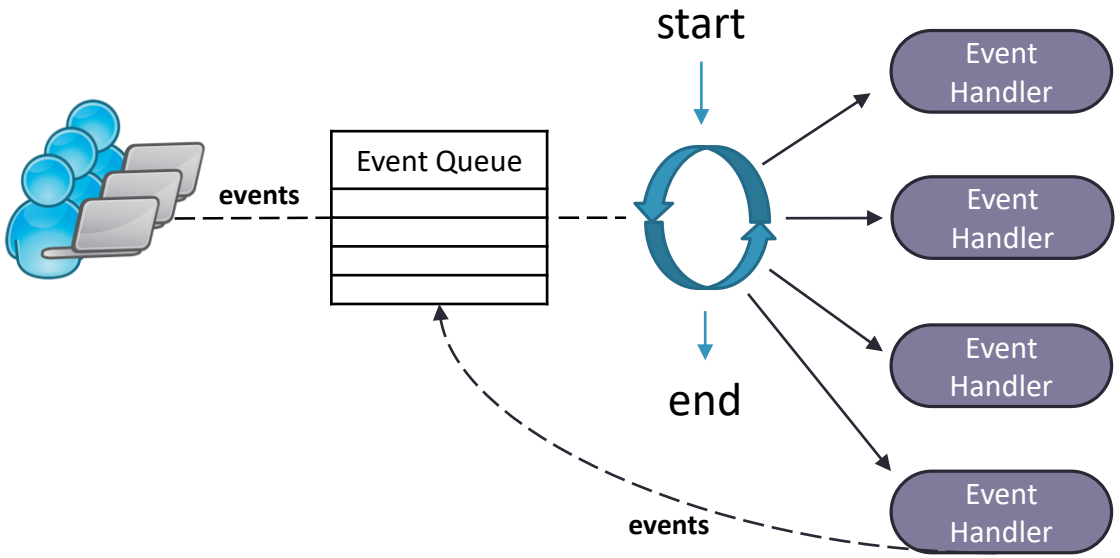

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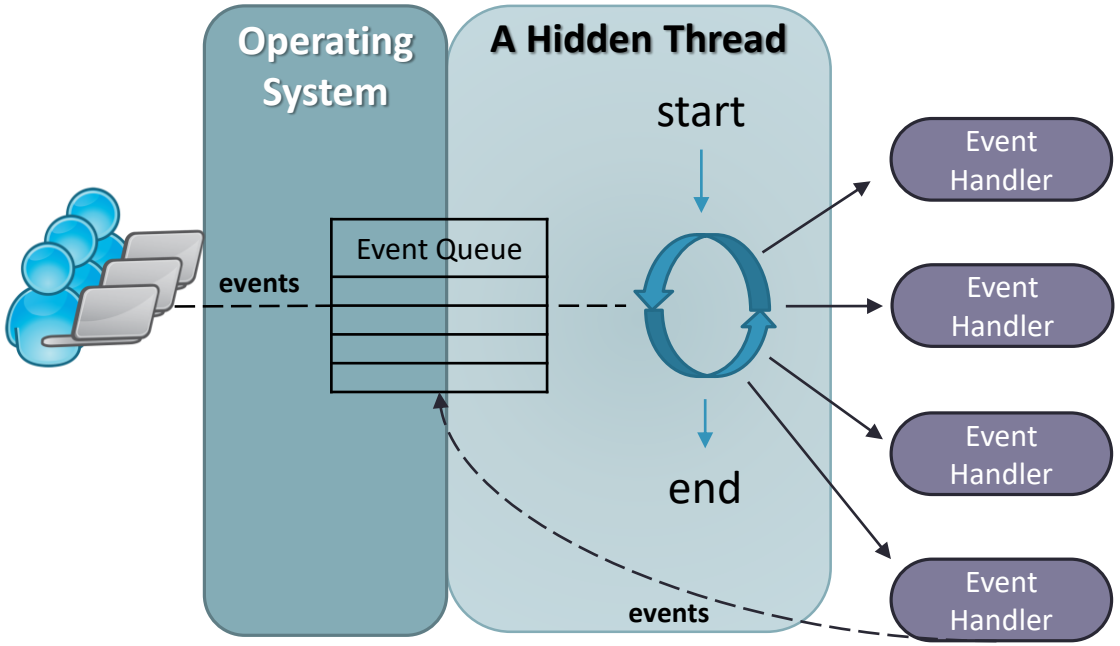
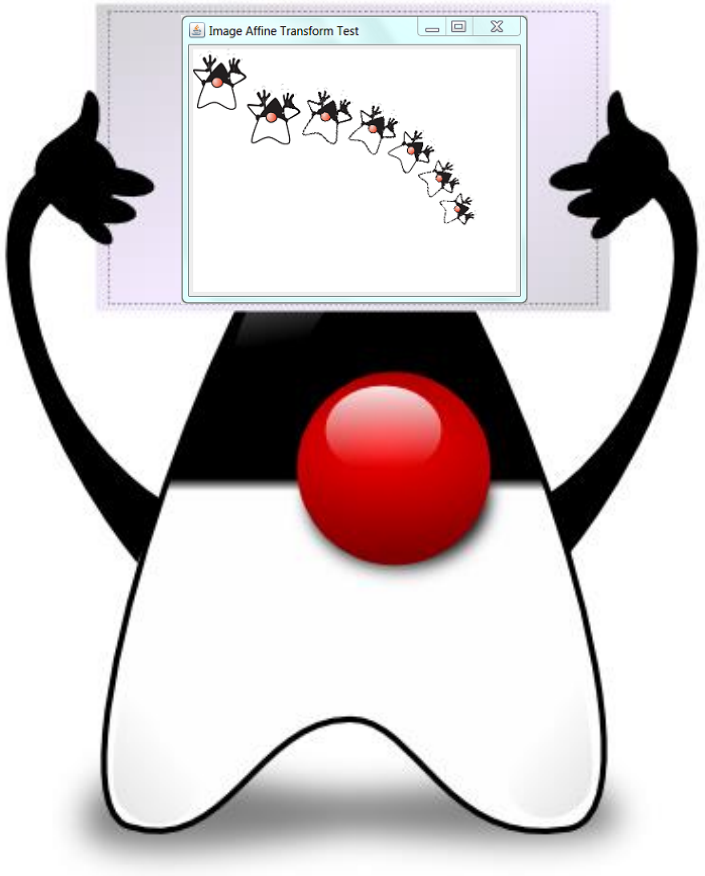


GUI in Java



THE MULTIPLATFORM PROBLEM

The multiplatform problem

The same Java code

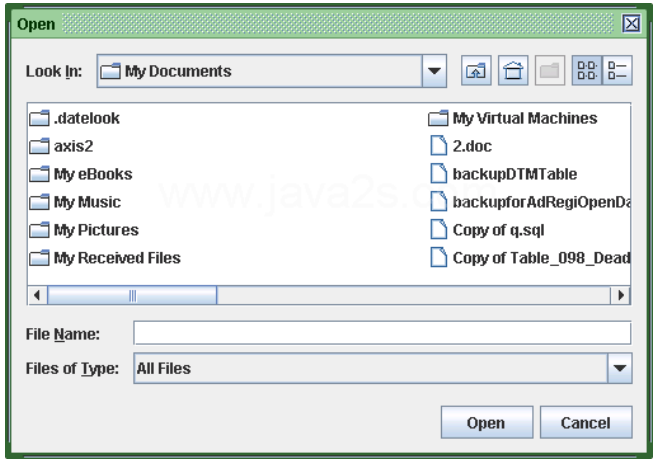
The JVM

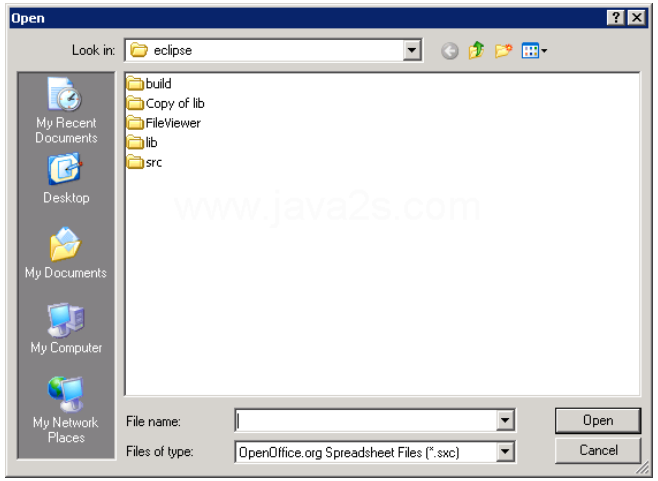
But a window, a button, or text box are native to the OS

We need to use the ***look & feel*** of the OS

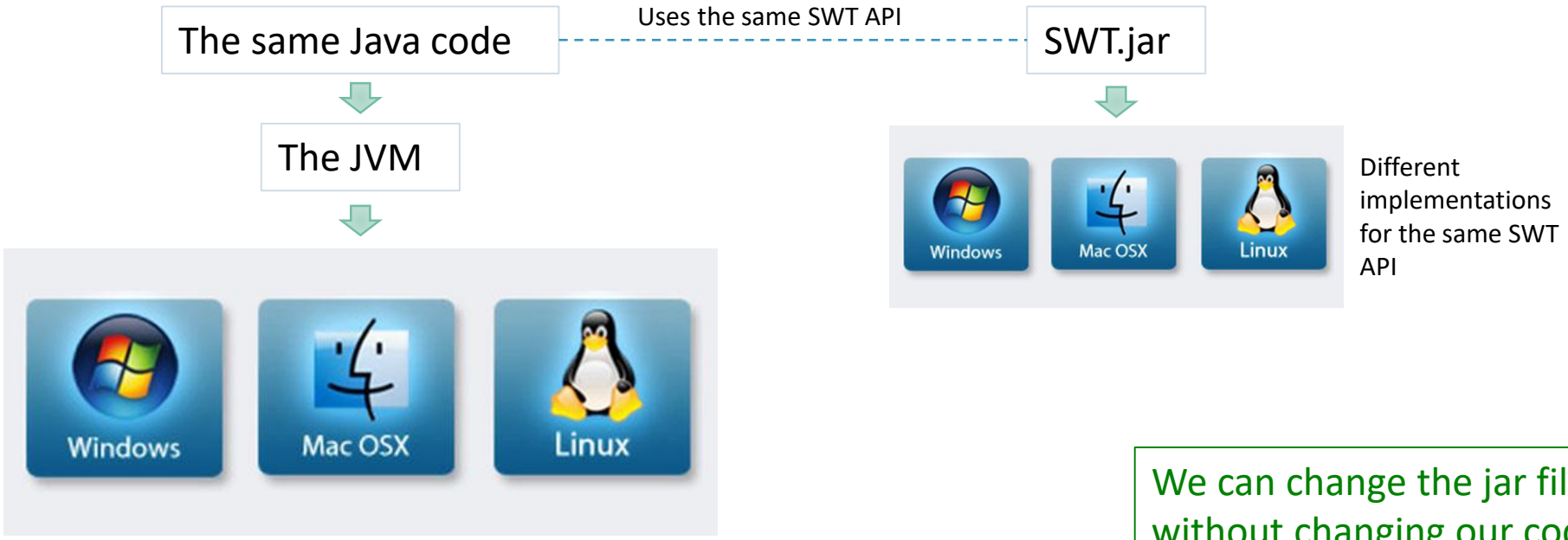
GUI Technologies

- AWT – Abstract Windowing Toolkit (1995)
  - Weighty – calls OS's components
  - Lowest common denominator problem
- Swing / JFC (1998)
  - The official GUI for Java (SUN, later ORACLE)
  - Every component is written in Java (light weight)
  - Tires to mimic OS's look
- SWT - Standard Widget Toolkit (IBM, 2001)
  - Uses the OS's components when available
  - Uses Java implementation when they are not
  - OS's look & feel



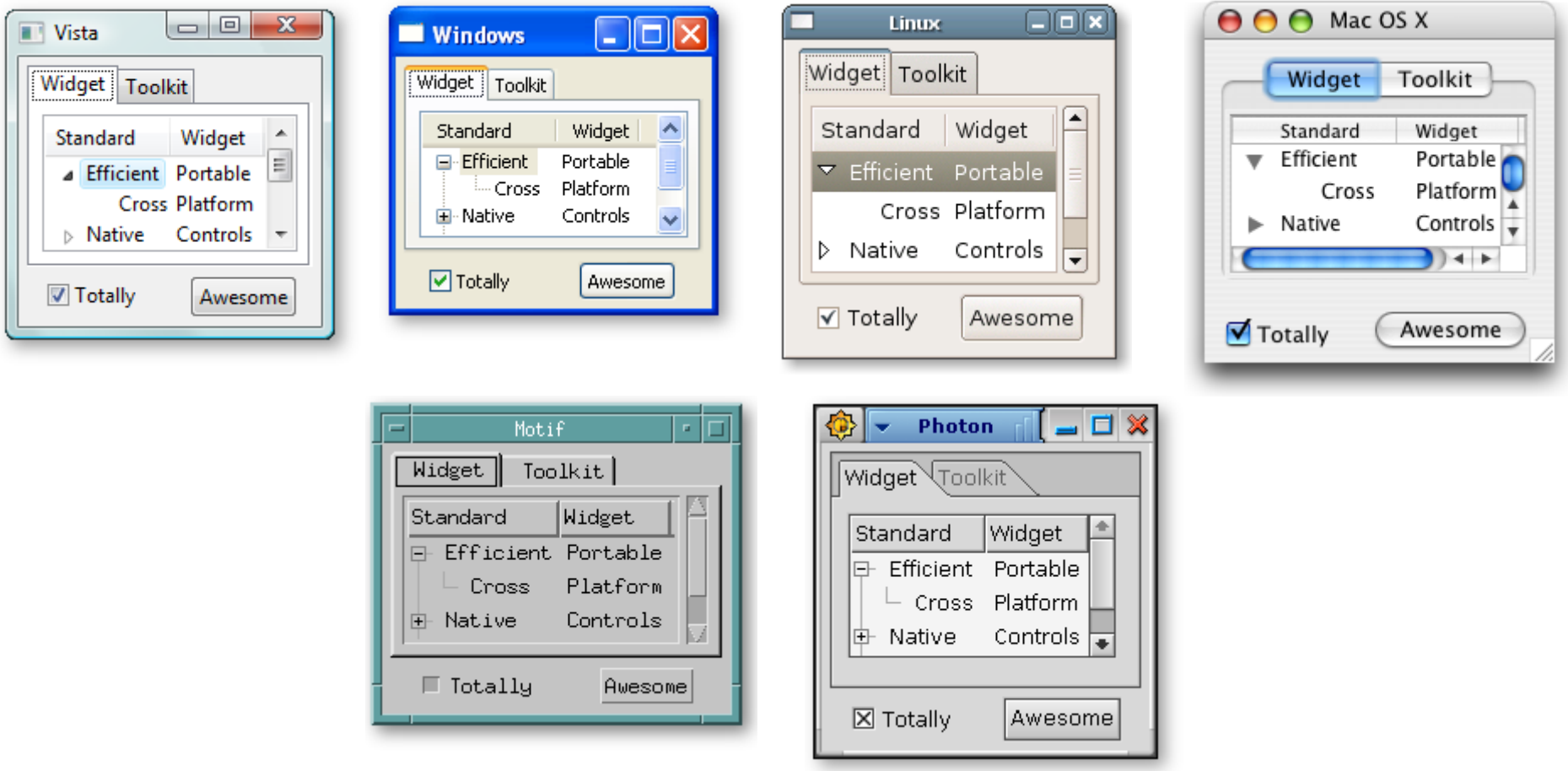


SWT technology uses dependency injection



We can change the jar file,
without changing our code,
and get the look & feel of the OS. ☺

Same java code, different OS GUI



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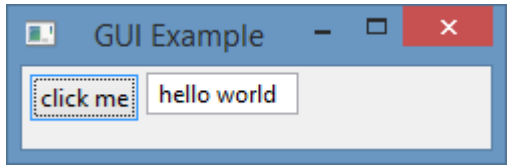


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    }
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   }
  );
  shell.open();
}
```

Window Creation

A button
A text box

```
// runs in a different thread
public void run(){
 initComponents();
 // main event loop
 while(!shell.isDisposed()){ // window isn't closed
  if(!display.readAndDispatch()){
   display.sleep();
  }
 }
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The event handler assignment
The event object

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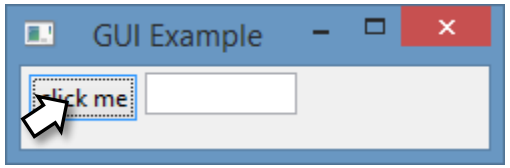

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Shared Concepts

PRESENTATION & PRESENTATION LOGIC

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PRESENTATION

Setting a layout

- Where each component should be
- E.g., a border pan, a grid view

Adding components, for instance:

- TextBox userName = new TextBox();
- Button reset = new Button();

Each technology has a different API
yet, the concepts are the same.

PRESENTATION LOGIC

Adding logic

- typically with strategy pattern

For instance:

```
reset.addListener(
 new SelectionListener(){
        void selected(Event e){
                userName.setText("");
                notifyObservers();
        }
 }
);
```

Button examples

```
// SWING
JButton b= new JButton(“click me");
b.addActionListener(new ActionListener() {
  public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
    //…
  }
});
```

```
// JavaFX
Button b= new Button(“click me");
b.setOnAction(new EventHandler<ActionEvent>(){
   public void handleEvent(ActionEvent e){
      //…
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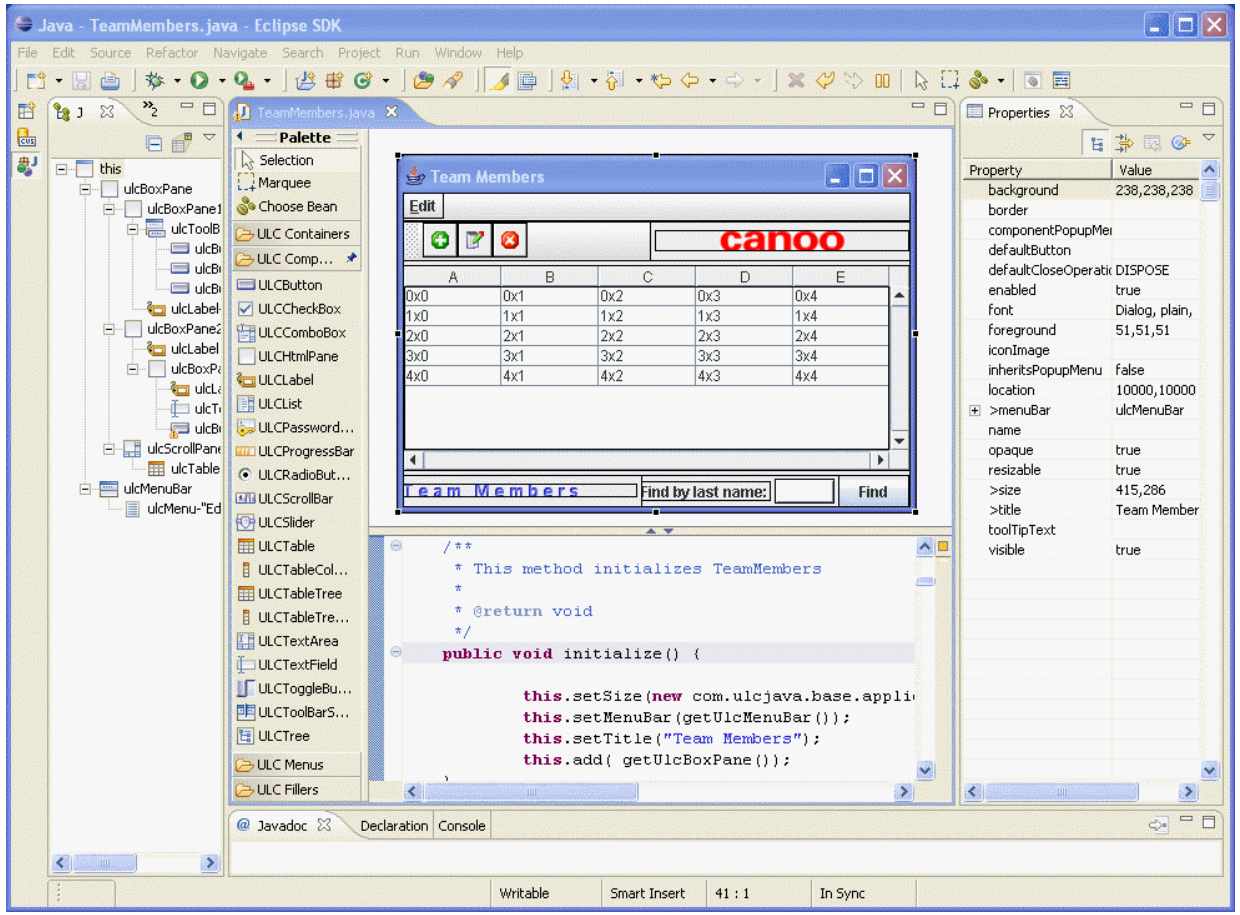
Visual Editing

TO CODE / TO XML

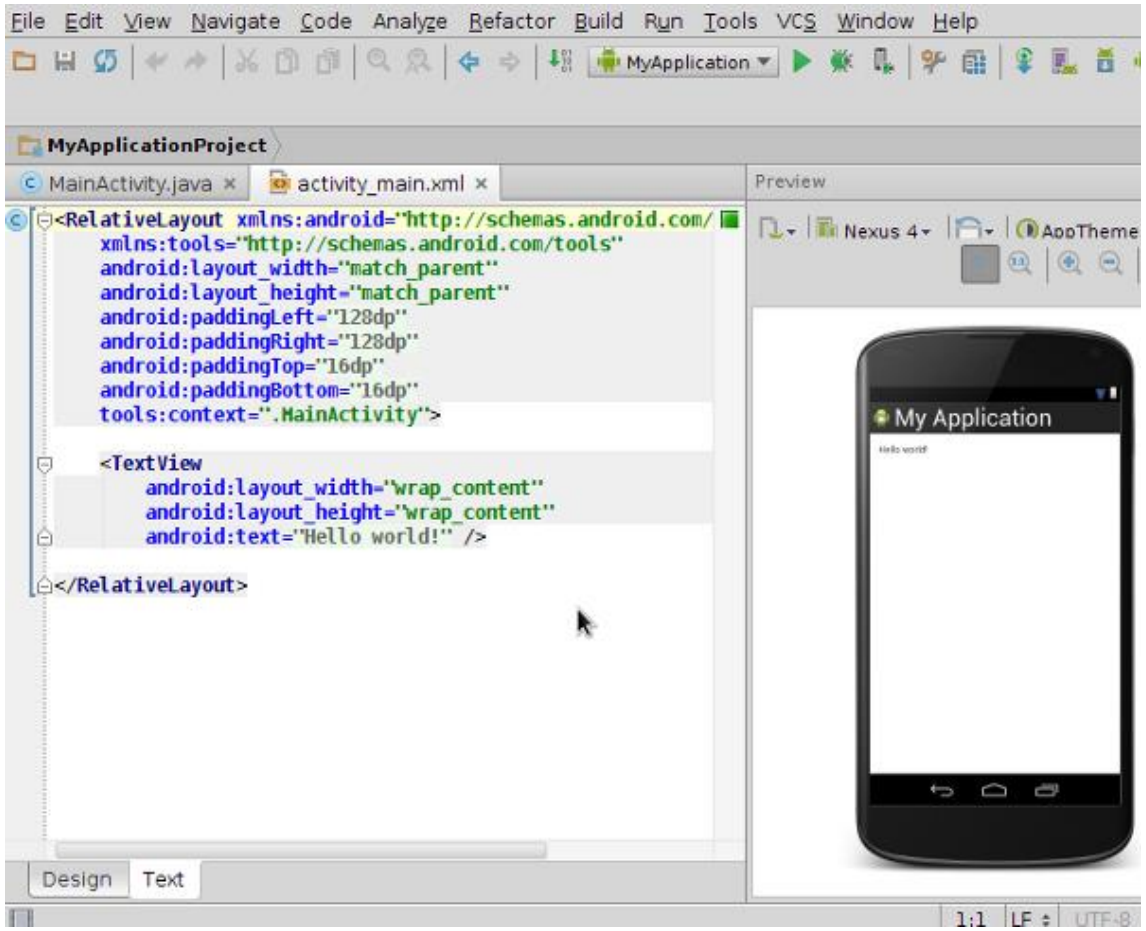
Visual Editor ➔ code behind

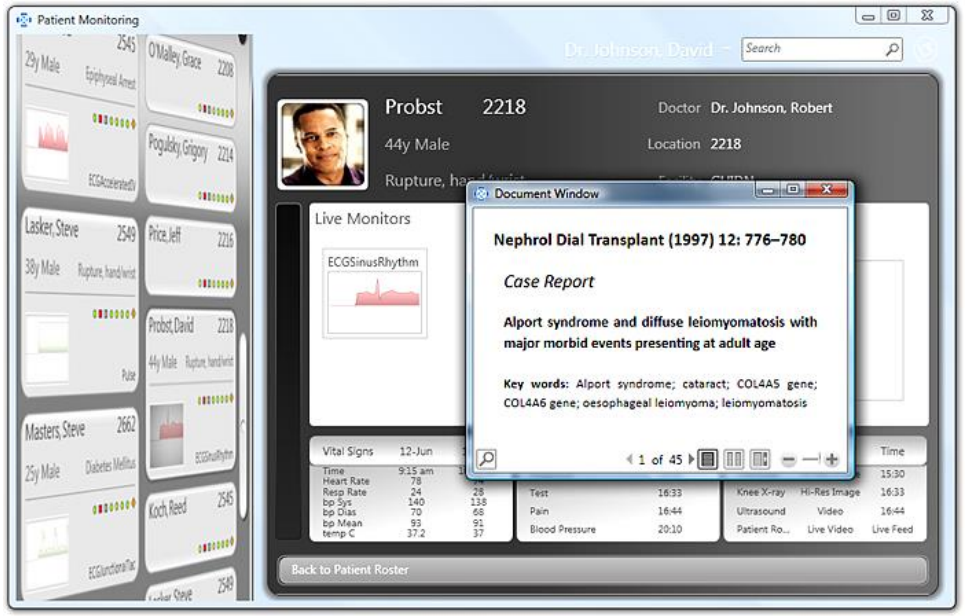
- The code is written in a **specific language**
  - Hard to migrate the visuals to a project written in another language
- The code is messy
- Hard to maintain
- We want as little code-behind as possible



Visual Editor ➔ XML code

- The visuals are not specific to any programming language
  - Easy to migrate
- Typically, the functionality is still done in a code-behind
- The WPF technology gives us just that





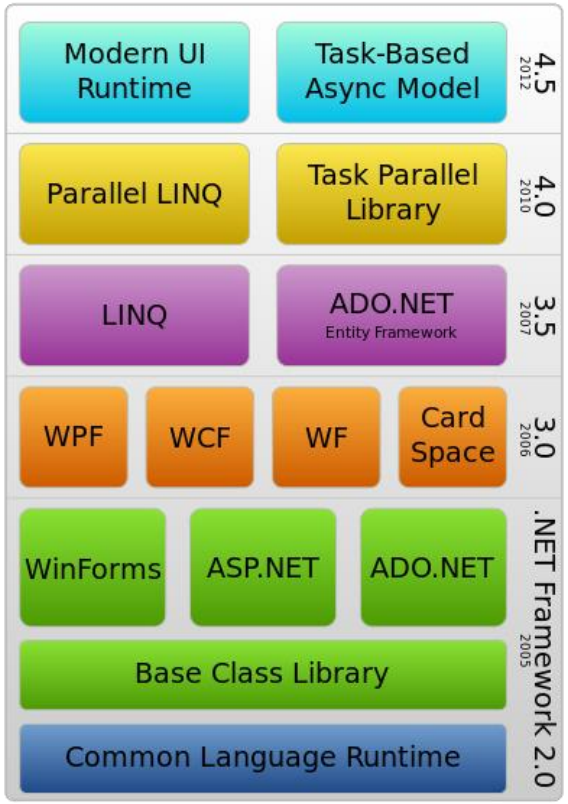
Introduction to WPF

EVENT DRIVEN PROGRAMMING IN WINDOWS PRESENTATION FOUNDATION

WPF – Windows Presentation Foundation

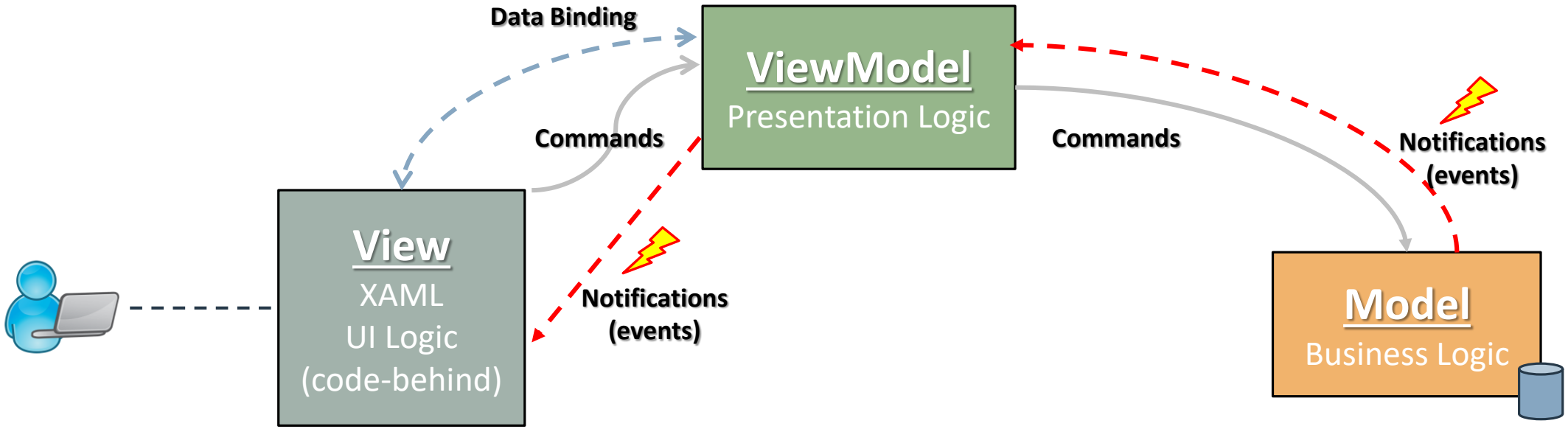
- Presented at 2006
- A platform for building rich user experiences on Windows
- Unified platform for modern user interfaces
- A WPF interface can combine images, text, 2D and 3D graphics,
- and more…

Why use WPF when we already have winforms??



The .NET Framework Stack

WPF technology allows an MVVM architecture



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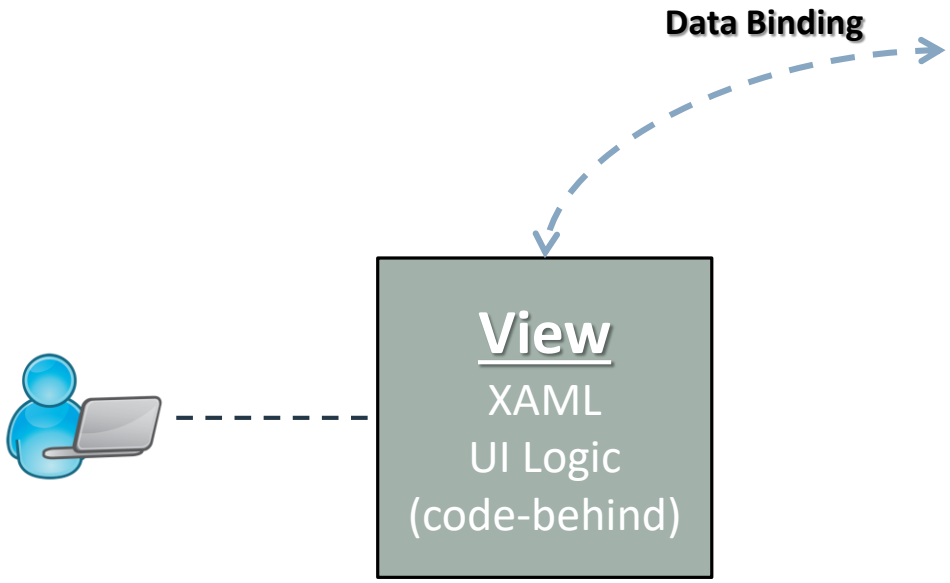
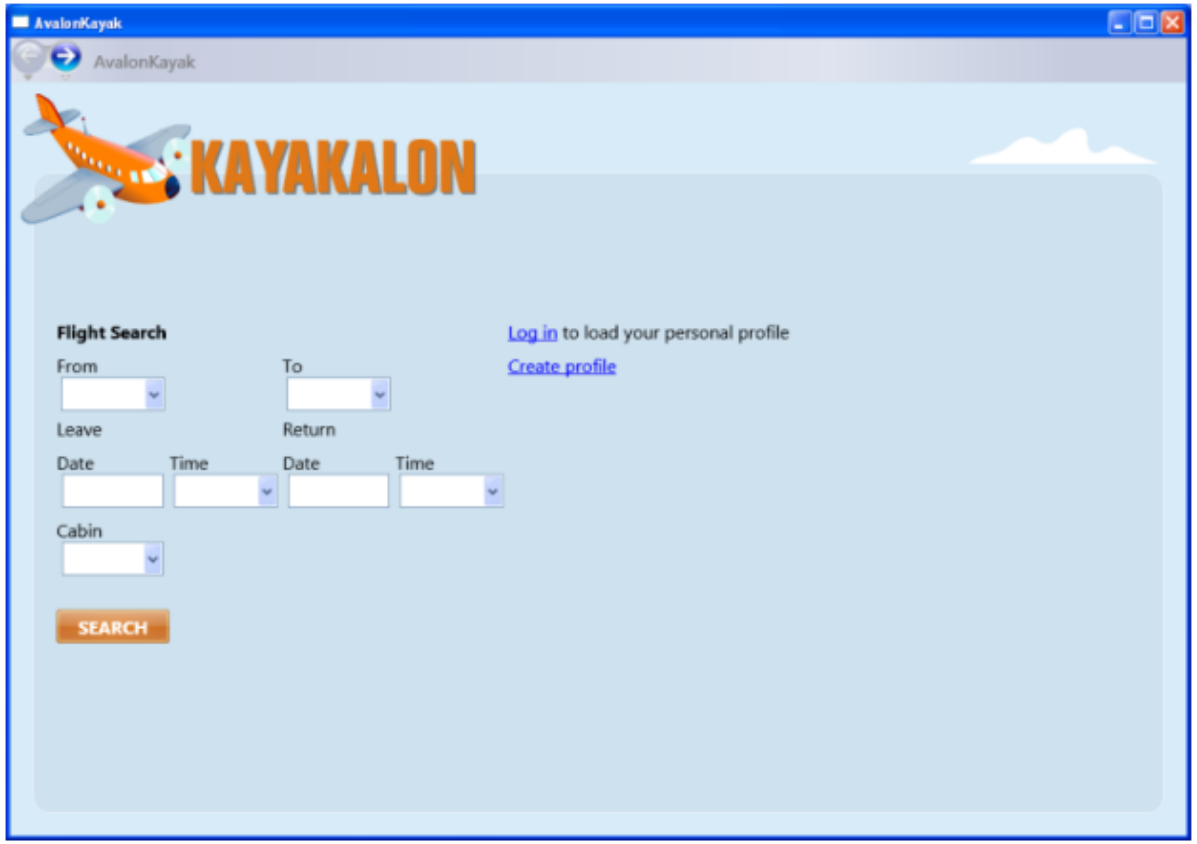


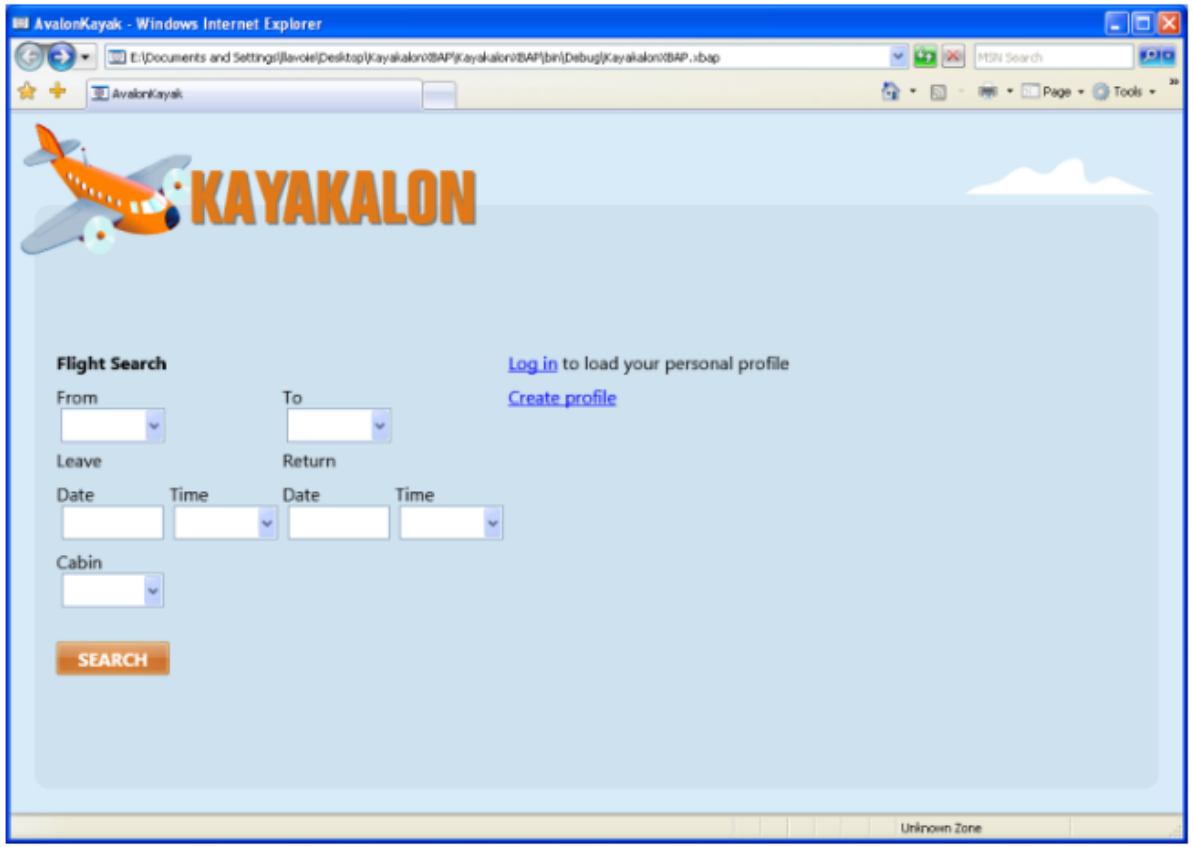
- Data Binding support
  - Display events automatically change the data
  - Data events are automatically displayed
  - We don’t have to command it, just define a binding
- The UI Logic is written in XAML (XML file)
  - The visual designer doesn’t have to be a programmer
  - The visual design is independent from the project
- Very small code-behind is needed

In addition…

- UI customization & graphics
  - We can change the looks and the behaviors as we wish
  - The graphics support is way better than WinForms: 3D objects, Animations, and Media
- “There is no control for that” no longer applies
  - Easy to write your own
  - There are literally hundreds of third-party WPF controls available
- Ability to run in a browser
- Microsoft firmly switched its focus on WPF
- Strong ties to Silverlight technology
  - If you know WPF, it is easy to use Silverlight

Same visuals, different platforms…

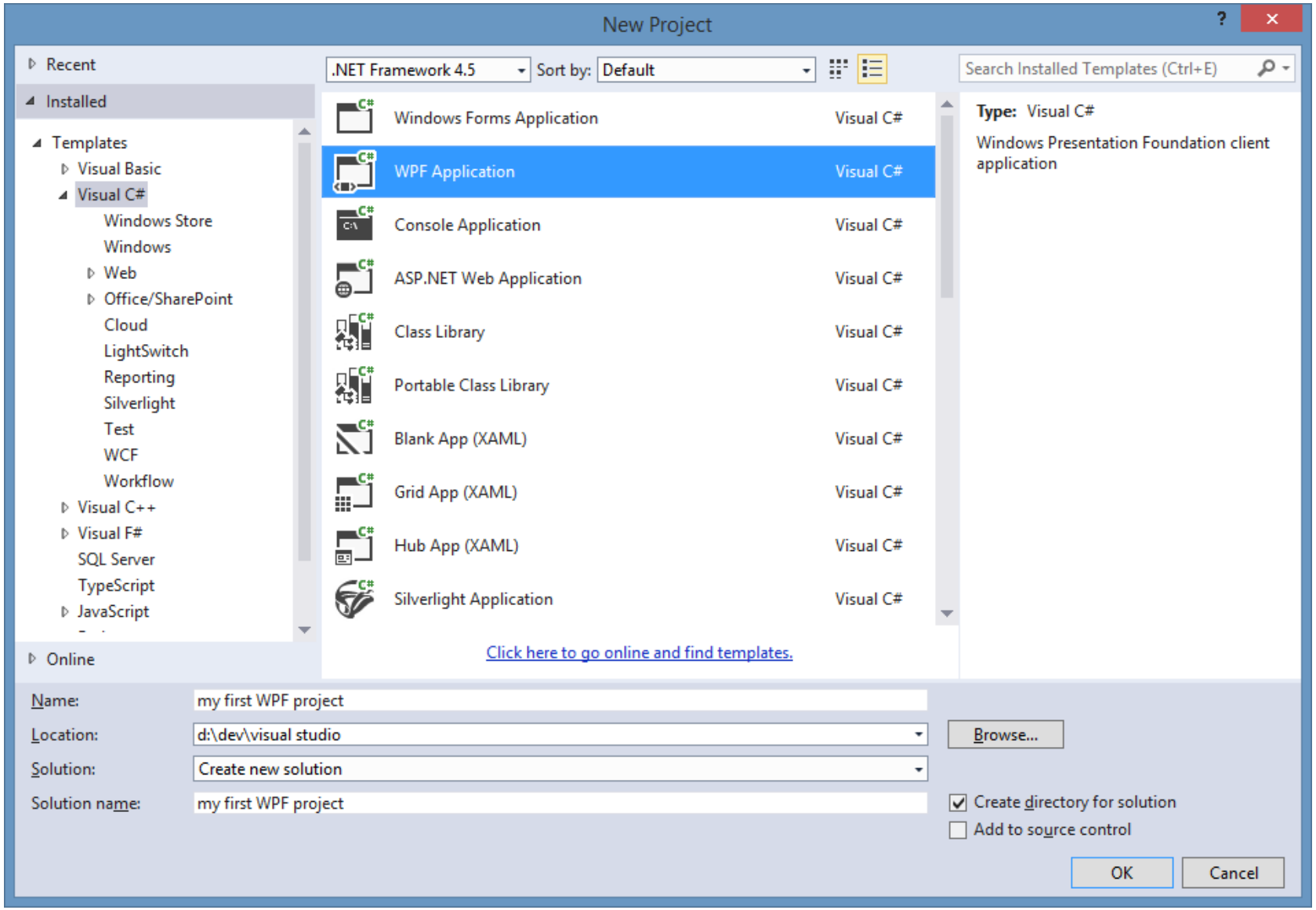




WPF tutorial

MAKING A BUTTON DO SOMETHING…

How to create WPF applications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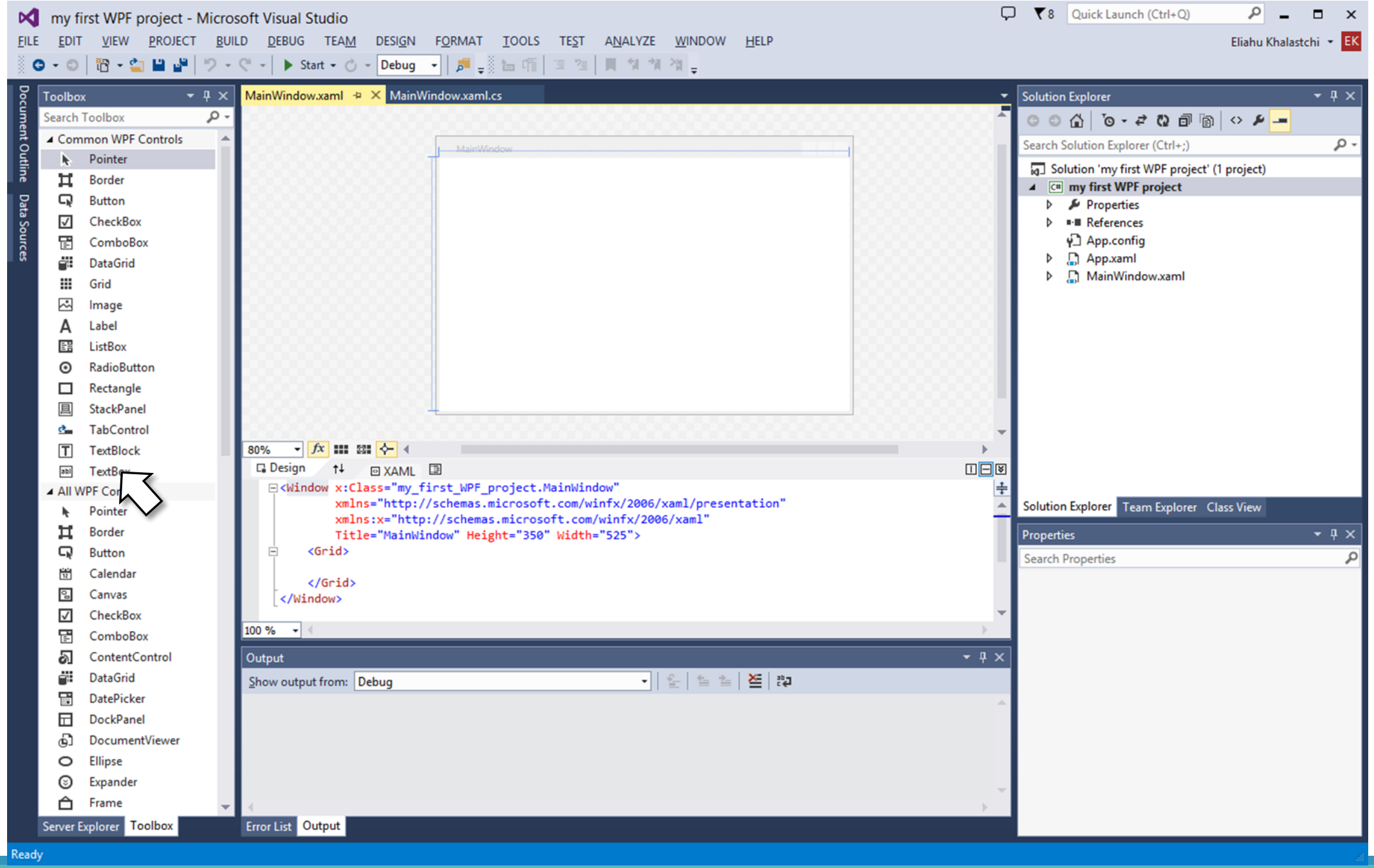
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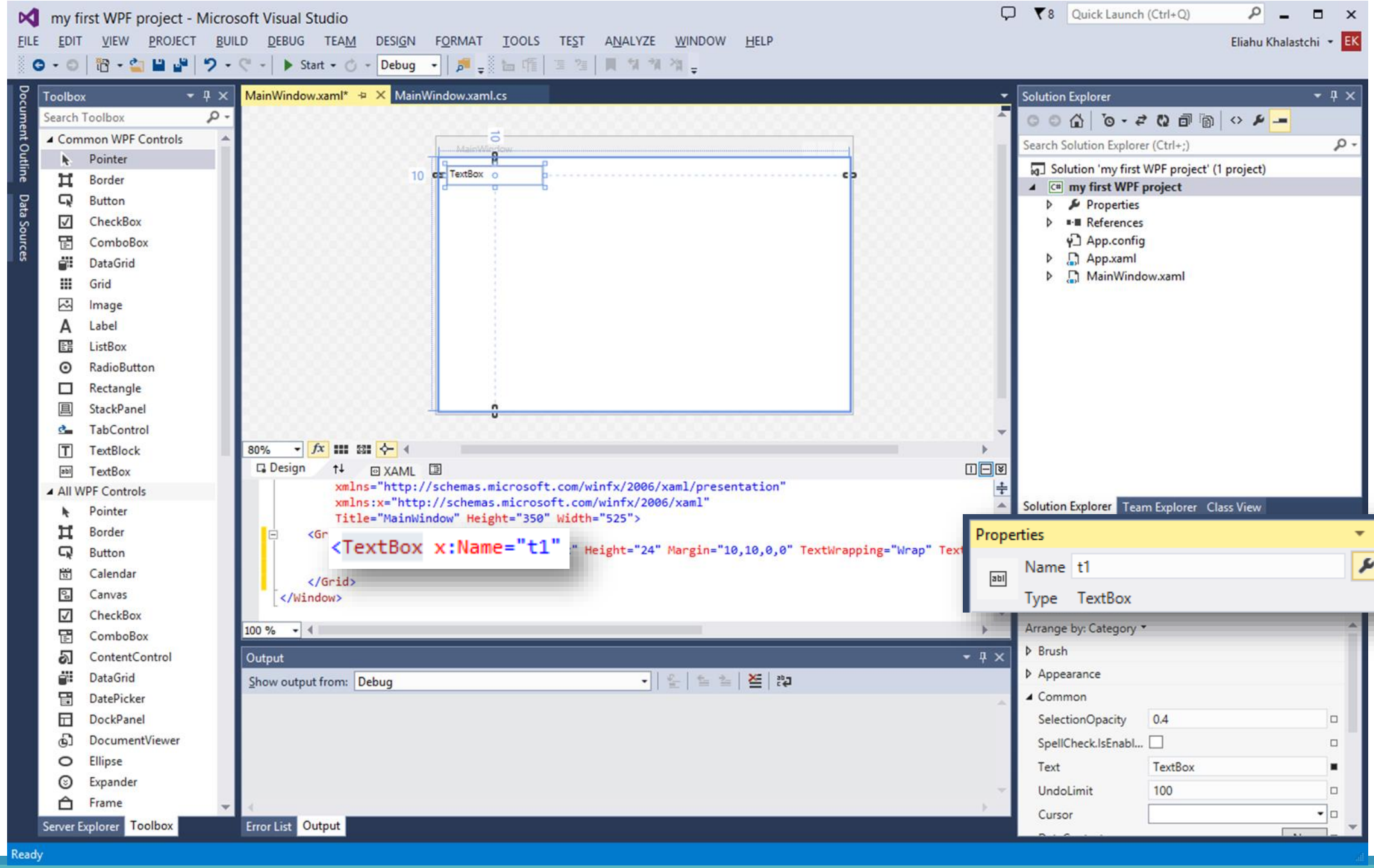
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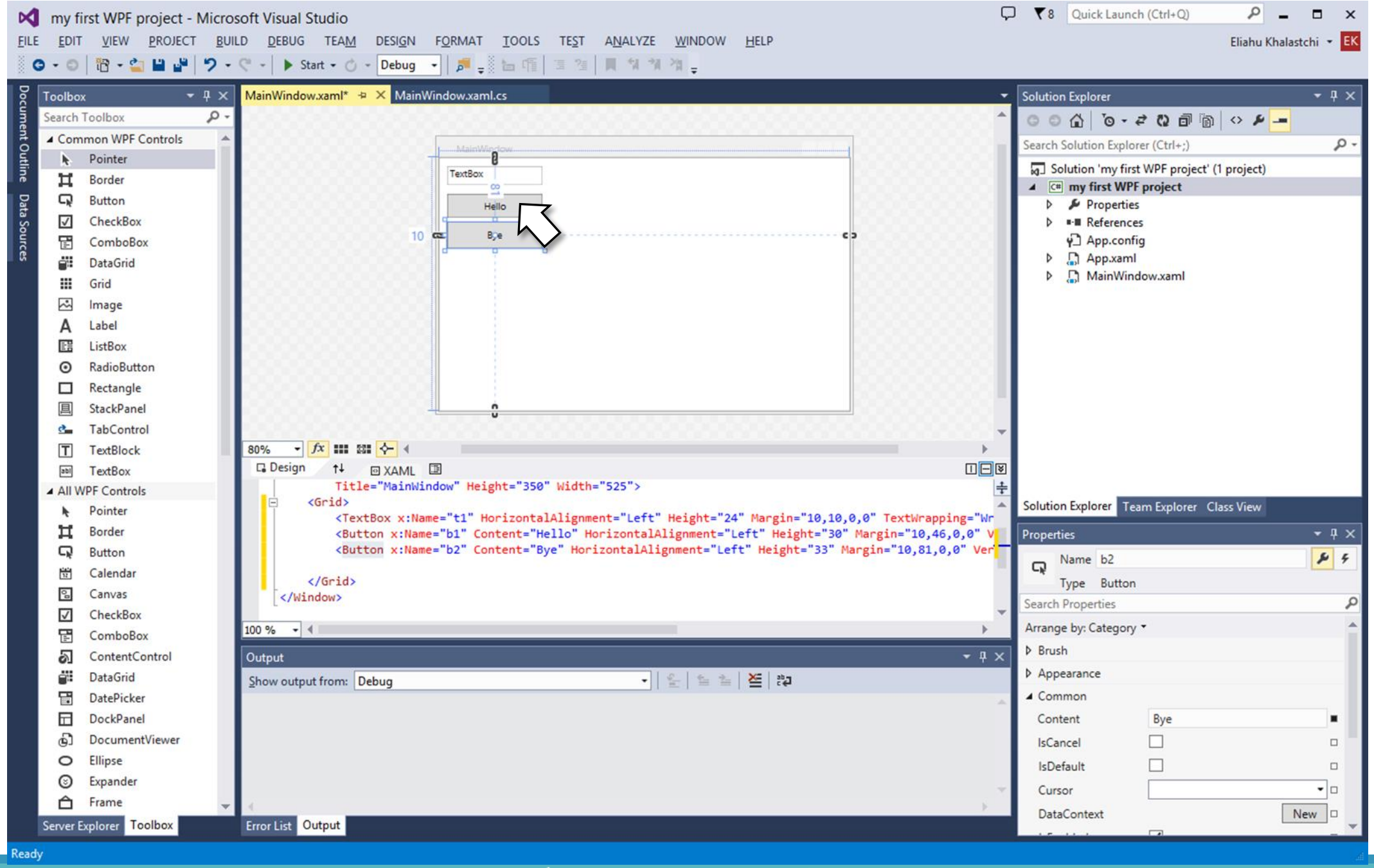
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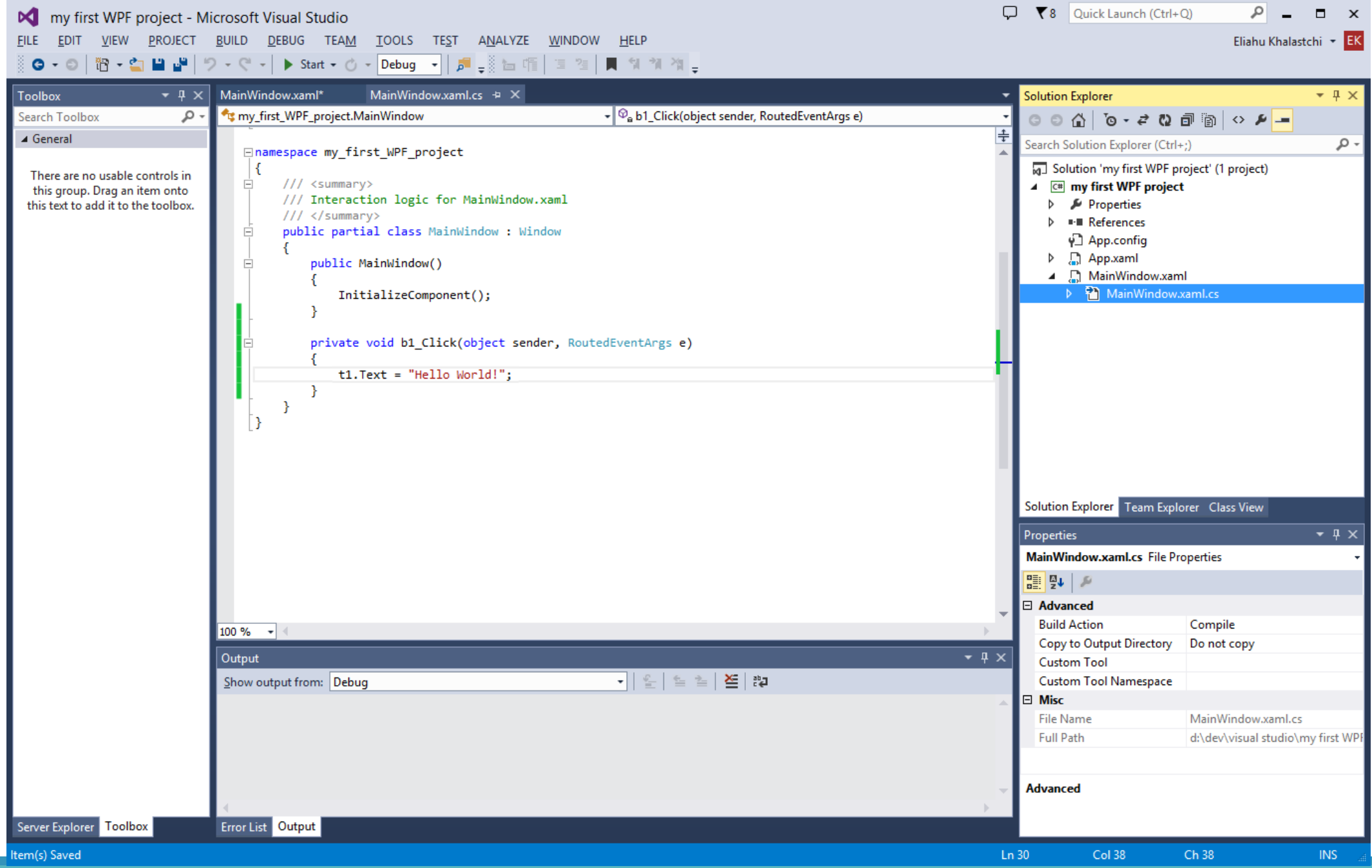
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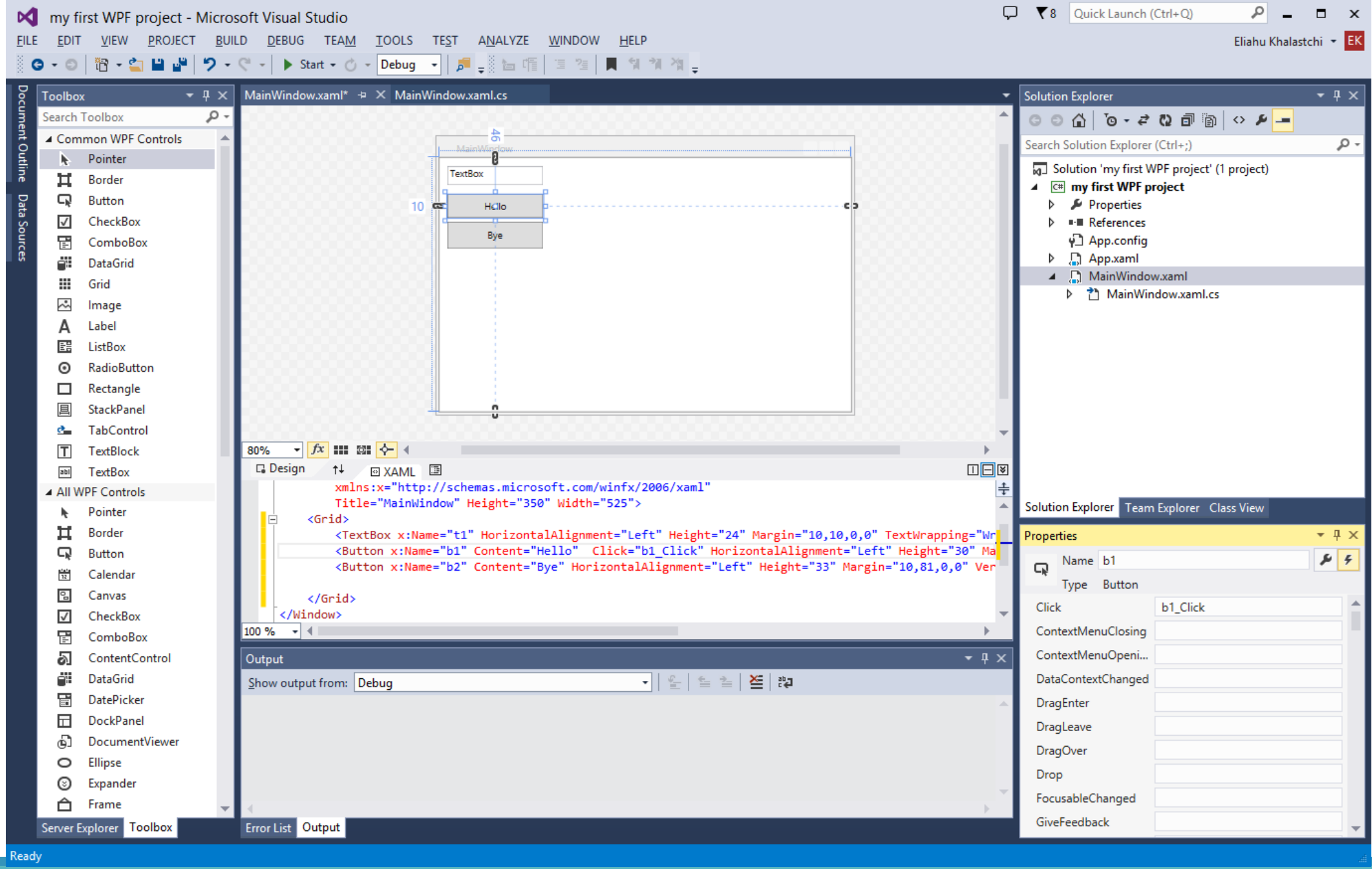
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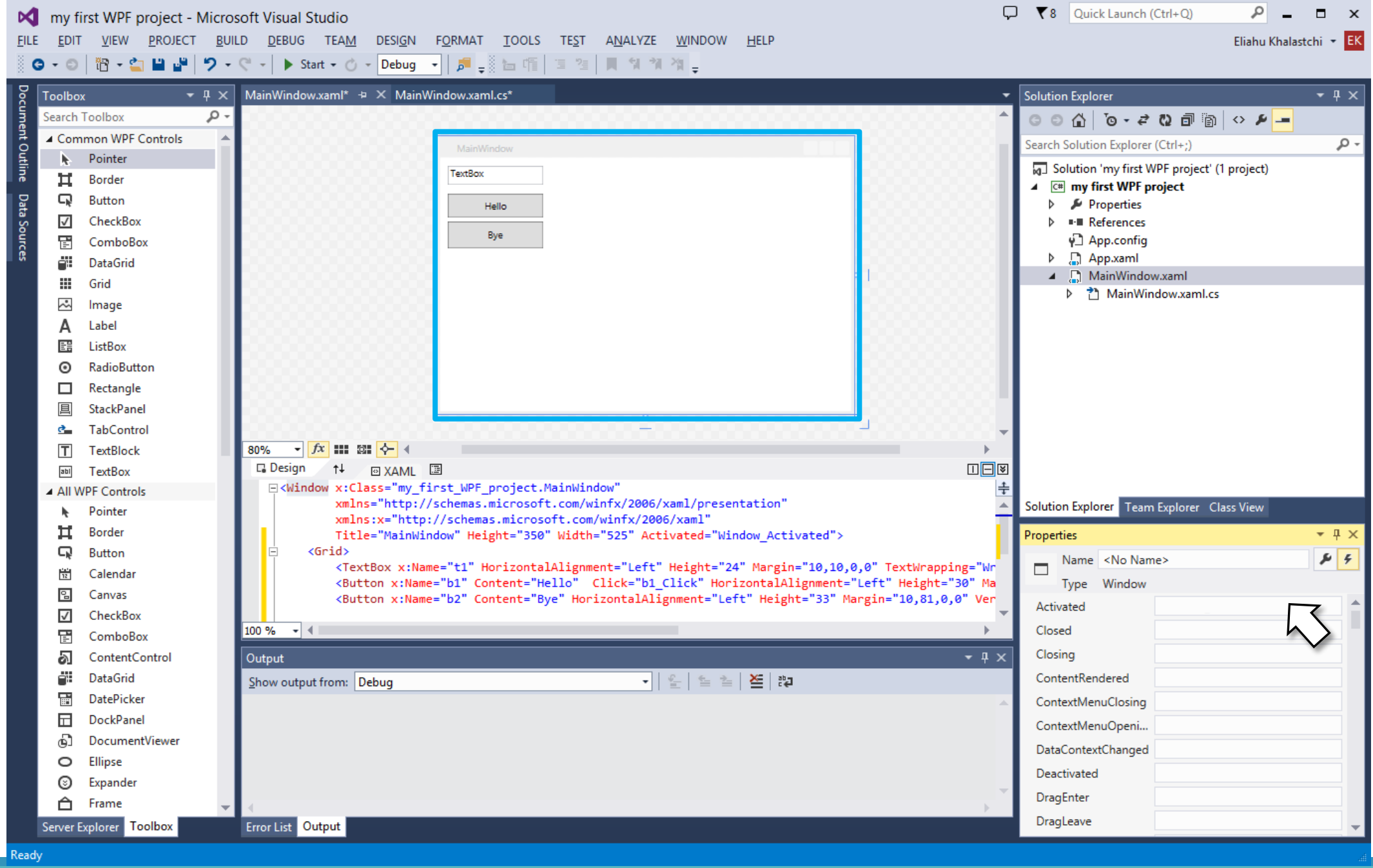
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```
public partial class MainWindow : Window
    {
        public MainWindow()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
        }

        private void b1_Click(object sender, RoutedEventArgs e)
        {
            t1.Text = "Hello World!";
        }

        private void Window_Activated(object sender, EventArgs e)
        {
            b2.Click += b2_Click;
        }

        void b2_Click(object sender, RoutedEventArgs e)
        {
            t1.Text = "Good Bye World!";
        }
    }
```

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

        private void b1_Click(object sender, RoutedEventArgs e)
        {
            t1.Text = "Hello World!";
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        {
            b2.Click += b2_Click;
        }

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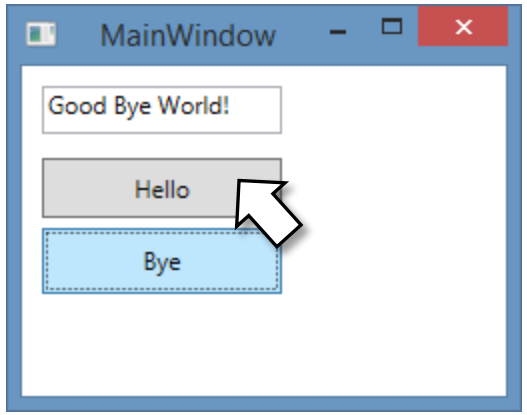
        {
            t1.Text = "Good Bye World!";
        }
    }
```




```
<TextBox x:Name="t1" ... />
<Button x:Name="b1" Content="Hello“
                Click="b1_Click" .../>
<Button x:Name="b2" Content="Bye".../>
```

Partial Classes

- It is possible to split a class, a struct, an interface, or a method over two or more source files
- In large projects, multiple programmers can work in the same time on the same class
- Automatically generated source + your code of the same class, without a problem…
- Our MainWindow class is partially edited by the visual studio

```
public partial class Employee {
  public void DoWork() { }
}

//... In another source file

public partial class Employee {
  public void GoToLunch() { }
}
```

XAML

What is XAML?

- Extensible Application Markup Language
- XAML is a declarative markup language
- XAML simplifies creating a UI for a .NET Framework application
- Separates the UI definition from the run-time logic by using code-behind files
- XAML enables a workflow where
  - separate parties can work on the UI and the logic of an application
  - using potentially different tools
- XAML are XML files with .xaml extenssion

XAML – Extensible Application Markup Language

- XAML can create objects, set Properties, and connect to events
- XAML cannot call methods,
  - for this we have the code-behind – to handle events and change items dynamically

```
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        xmlns:x="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
        Title="MainWindow" Height="350" Width="525" Activated="Window_Activated">
    <Grid>
        <TextBox x:Name="t1" HorizontalAlignment="Left" Height="24" Margin="10,10,0,0" TextWrapping="Wrap"
              Text="TextBox" VerticalAlignment="Top" Width="120"/>
        <Button x:Name="b1" Content="Hello"  Click="b1_Click" HorizontalAlignment="Left" Height="30"
              Margin="10,46,0,0" VerticalAlignment="Top" Width="120"/>
        <Button x:Name="b2" Content="Bye" HorizontalAlignment="Left" Height="33" Margin="10,81,0,0"
              VerticalAlignment="Top" Width="120"/>
    </Grid>
</Window>
```

XAML Syntax - Object Elements & Properties

- XAML object elements declares an instance of a type
- Use the *Attribute Syntax* to set the properties of an object
- When *Attribute Syntax* is not possible – use *Property Element Syntax*

```
<StackPanel>
  <Button Content="Click Me"/>
</StackPanel>
```

2 xml elements instantiates a **StackPanel** and a **Button**

```
<Button Background="Blue" Foreground="Red" Content="This is a button"/>
```

```
<Button>
  <Button.Background>
    <SolidColorBrush Color="Blue"/>
  </Button.Background>
  <Button.Foreground>
    <SolidColorBrush Color="Red"/>
  </Button.Foreground>
  <Button.Content>
    This is a button
  </Button.Content>
</Button>
```

Attribute syntax can also be used for members that are **events** rather than properties:

```
<Button Click="Button_Click" />
```

Replacing code behind with Property Triggers

```
<Button Content="OK" Margin="10" FontSize="10"
     MouseEnter="Button_MouseEnter"
     MouseLeave="Button_MouseLeave">
</Button>
```

```
private void Button_MouseEnter(object sender, MouseEventArgs e) {
    Button b = sender as Button;
    if(b != null)
        b.FontSize = 30;
}
private void Button_MouseLeave(object sender, MouseEventArgs e) {
    Button b = sender as Button;
    if(b != null)
        b.FontSize = 10;
}
```

Replacing code behind with Property Triggers

Must be wrapped in a style
No need to revert the property back

```
<Button Content="OK" Margin="10">
    <Button.Style>
        <Style TargetType="Button">
            <Style.Triggers>
                <Trigger Property="IsMouseOver" Value="True">
                    <Setter Property="FontSize" Value="30" />
                </Trigger>
            </Style.Triggers>
        </Style>
    </Button.Style>
</Button>
```

Custom WPF Controls

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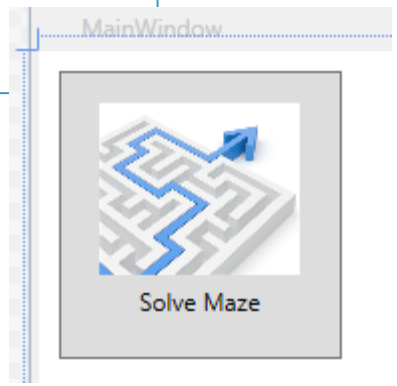
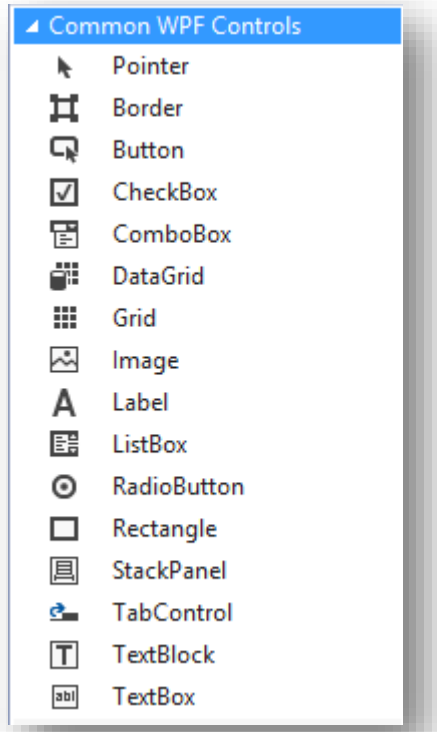
What are controls?

- Controls: elements capable of receiving focus and handling input
- Many controls are available “out of the box”
- Custom controls can be created
  - User controls that **wrap** one or more controls and expose higher level properties
  - Custom controls that **derive** from an existing control and extend its functionality

```
<Button x:Name="solveMaze" Margin="10,10,366,165">
    <StackPanel Orientation="Vertical">
        <Image Source="resources\Maze.jpg" Width="100" />
        <Label Content="Solve Maze"
               HorizontalContentAlignment="Center"/>
    </StackPanel>
</Button>
```





Layouts

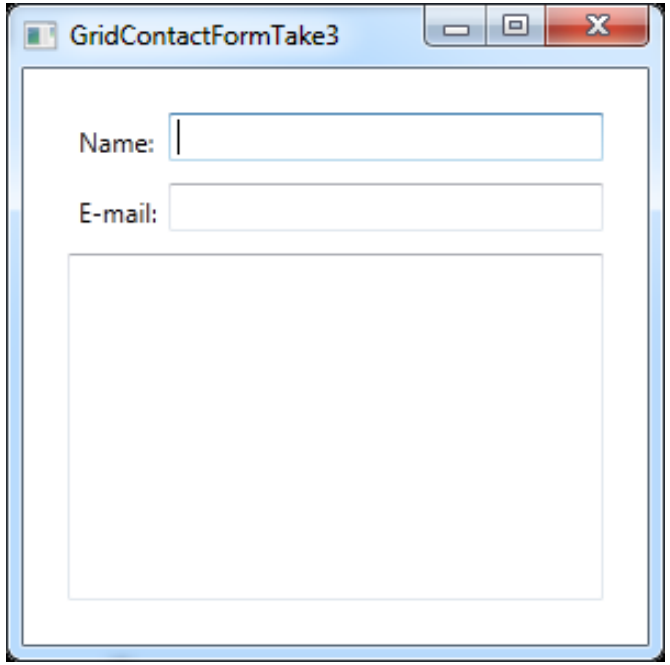
- Panel elements control the rendering of their child elements
  - their size and dimensions, their position, and the arrangement

Panel name	Description
Canvas	Defines an area within which you can explicitly position child elements by coordinates relative to the Canvas area.
DockPanel	Defines an area within which you can arrange child elements either horizontally or vertically, relative to each other.
Grid	Defines a flexible grid area that consists of columns and rows.
StackPanel	Arranges child elements into a single line that can be oriented horizontally or vertically.
WrapPanel	Positions child elements in sequential position from left to right, breaking content to the next line at the edge of the containing box. Subsequent ordering occurs sequentially from top to bottom or right to left, depending on the value of the Orientation property.

Grid

```
<Grid Margin="10">
    <Grid.ColumnDefinitions>
        <ColumnDefinition Width="Auto" />
        <ColumnDefinition Width="*" />
    </Grid.ColumnDefinitions>
    <Grid.RowDefinitions>
        <RowDefinition Height="Auto" />
        <RowDefinition Height="Auto" />
        <RowDefinition Height="*" />
    </Grid.RowDefinitions>

    <Label>Name:</Label>
    <TextBox Grid.Column="1" Margin="0,0,0,10" />
    <Label Grid.Row="1">E-mail:</Label>
    <TextBox Grid.Row="1" Grid.Column="1" Margin="0,0,0,10" />
    <TextBox Grid.ColumnSpan="2" Grid.Row="2" AcceptsReturn="True" />
</Grid>
```



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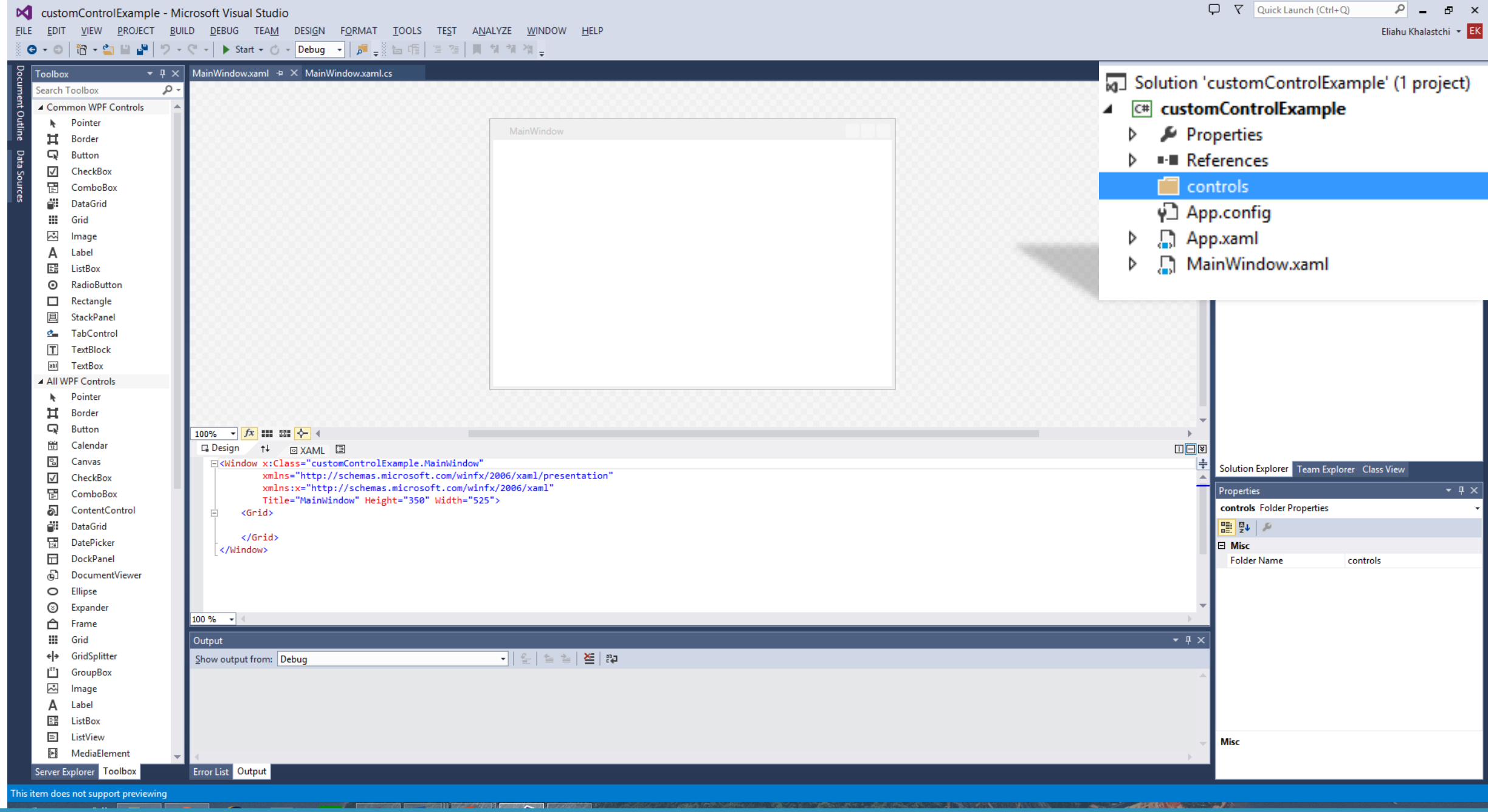
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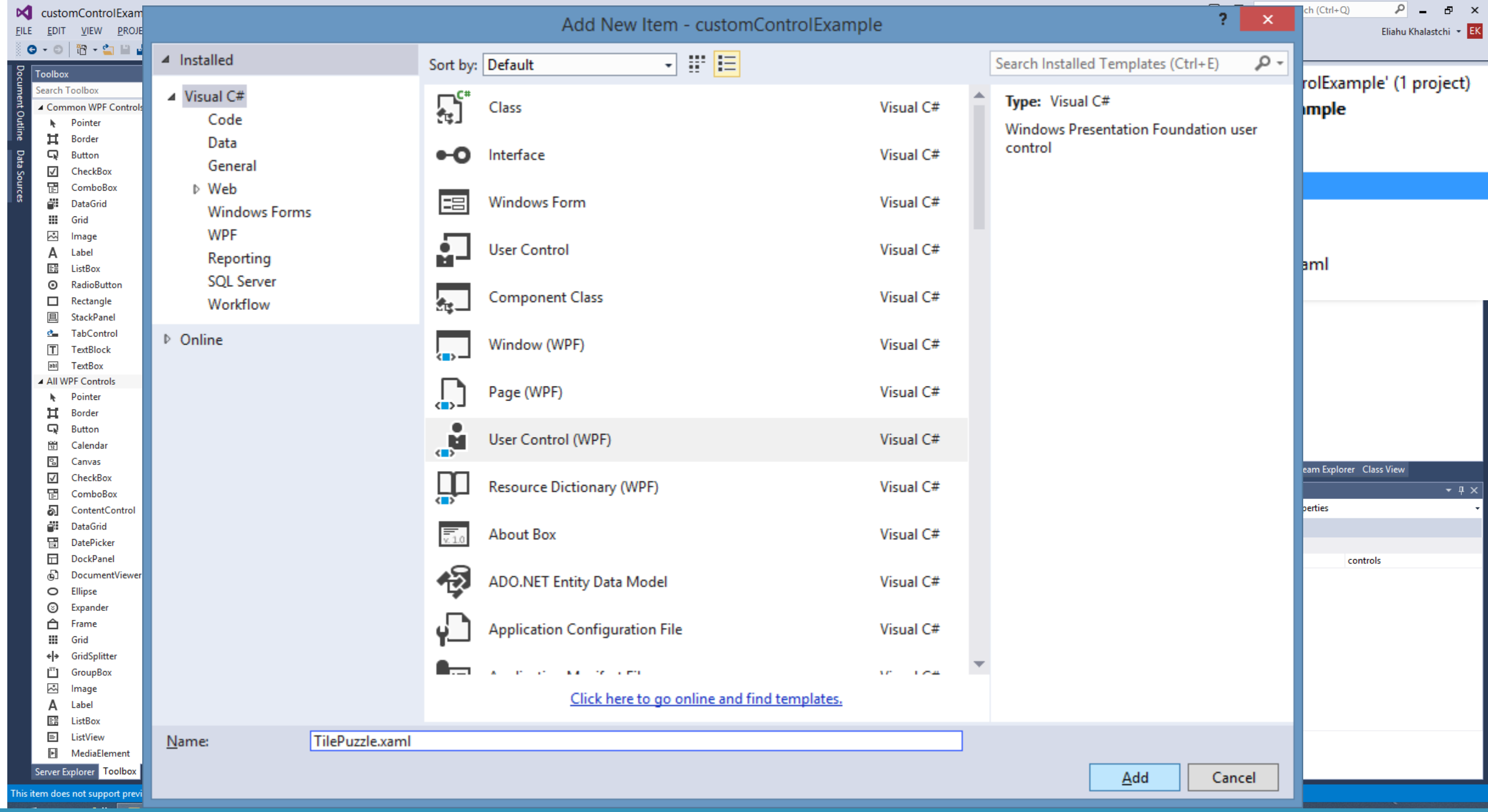
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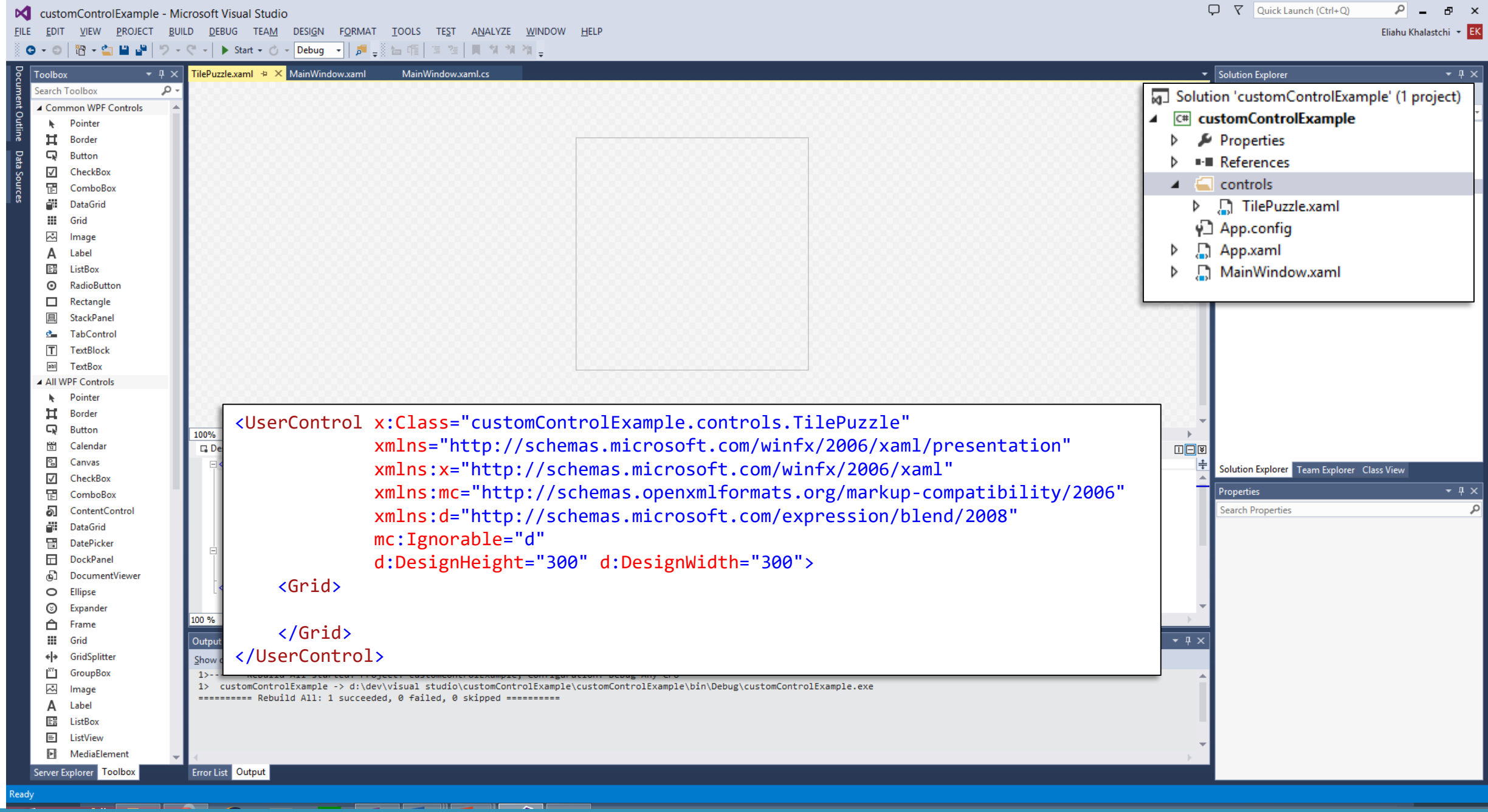
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xmlns:mc="http://schemas.openxmlformats.org/markup-compatibility/2006"
xmlns:d="http://schemas.microsoft.com/expression/blend/2008"
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d:DesignHeight="300" d:DesignWidth="300">
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</UserControl>
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        </Grid.ColumnDefinitions>

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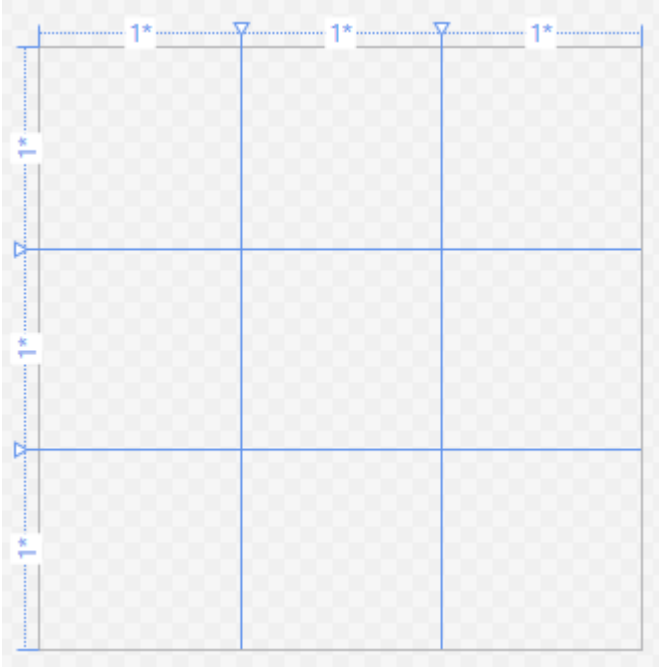

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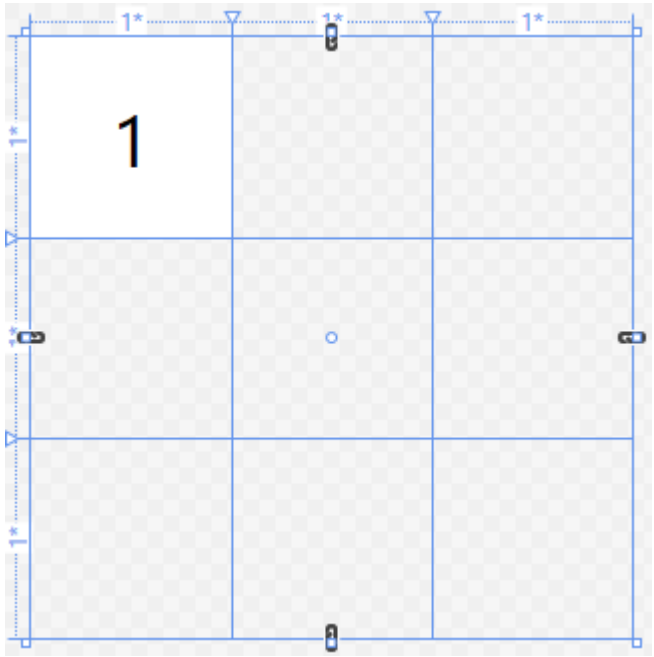
        </Grid.RowDefinitions>

        <Grid.ColumnDefinitions>
            <ColumnDefinition Width="*"/>
            <ColumnDefinition Width="*"/>
            <ColumnDefinition Width="*"/>
        </Grid.ColumnDefinitions>

    <Label Content="1" Background="White"
         BorderBrush="Black" BorderThickness="3" FontSize="36"
         HorizontalContentAlignment="Center"
         VerticalContentAlignment="Center"/>
</Grid>
```



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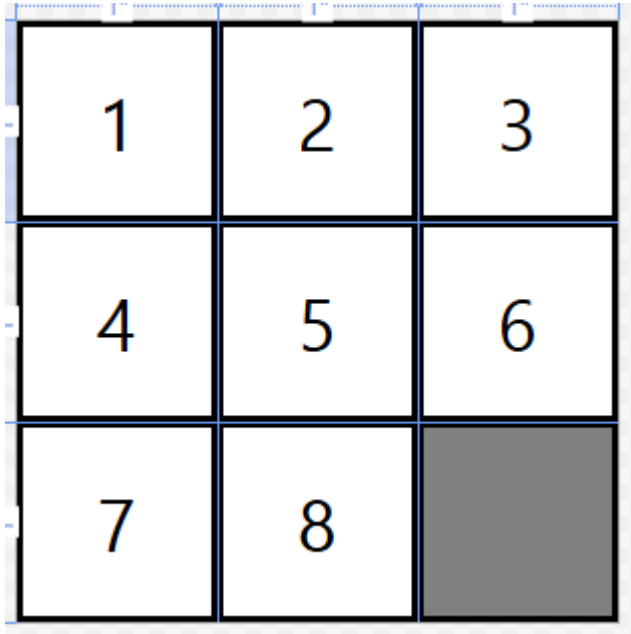
<Grid>
        <Grid.RowDefinitions>
                ...
        </Grid.RowDefinitions>

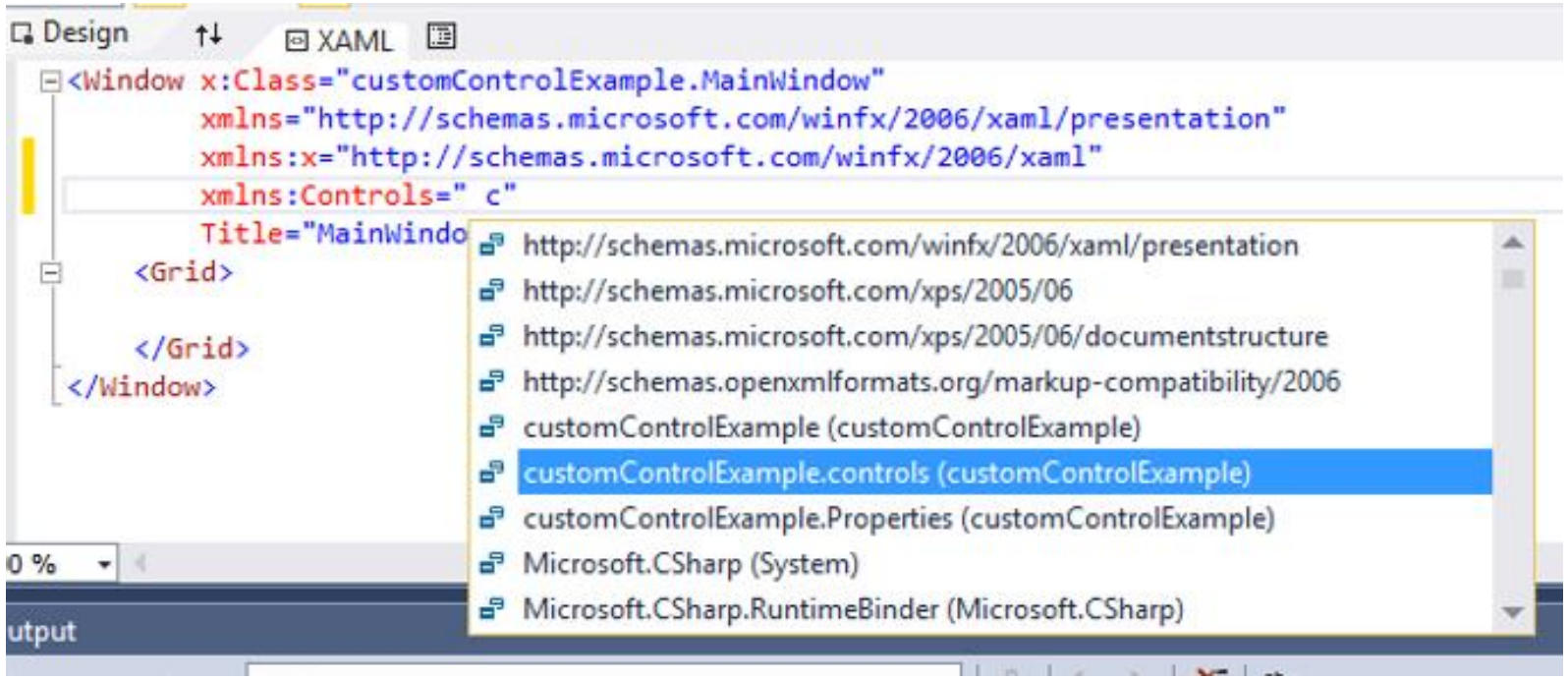
        <Grid.ColumnDefinitions>
                ...
        </Grid.ColumnDefinitions>

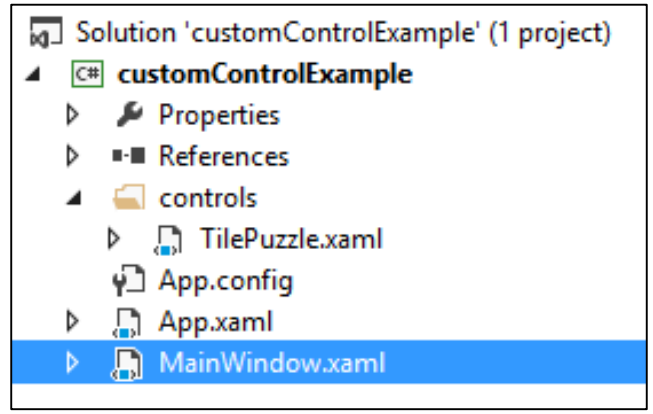

<Label x:Name="l1" Content="1" Grid.Row="0" Grid.Column="0" .../>
<Label x:Name="l2" Content="2" Grid.Row="0" Grid.Column="1" .../>
<Label x:Name="l3" Content="3" Grid.Row="0" Grid.Column="2" .../>
<Label x:Name="l4" Content="4" Grid.Row="1" Grid.Column="0" .../>
<Label x:Name="l5" Content="5" Grid.Row="1" Grid.Column="1" .../>
<Label x:Name="l6" Content="6" Grid.Row="1" Grid.Column="2" .../>
<Label x:Name="l7" Content="7" Grid.Row="2" Grid.Column="0" .../>
<Label x:Name="l8" Content="8" Grid.Row="2" Grid.Column="1" .../>
<Label x:Name="l9" Content=" " Grid.Row="2" Grid.Column="2" Background="Gray" .../>

</Grid>
```



Now, let's add this control to our window…






```
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        xmlns:Controls="clr-namespace:customControlExample.controls"
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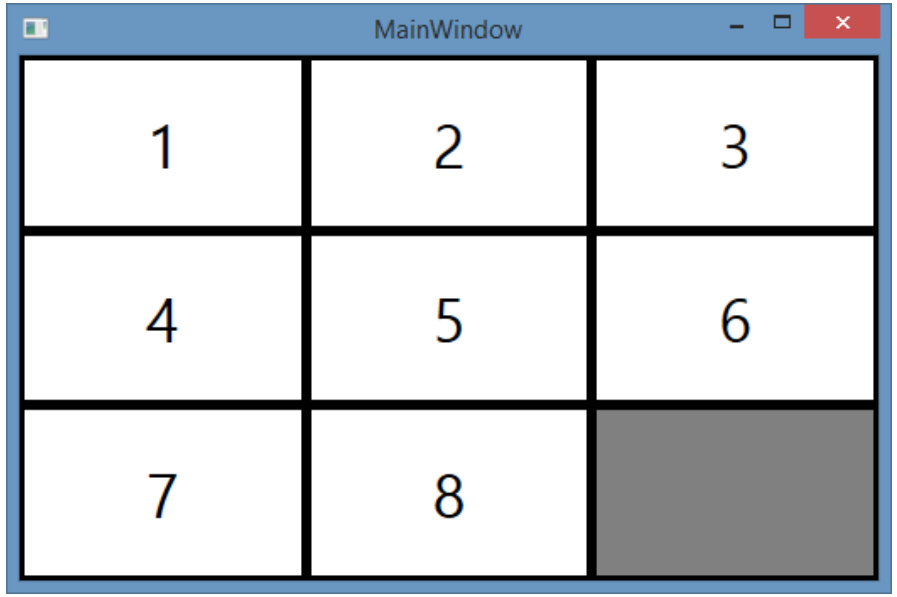
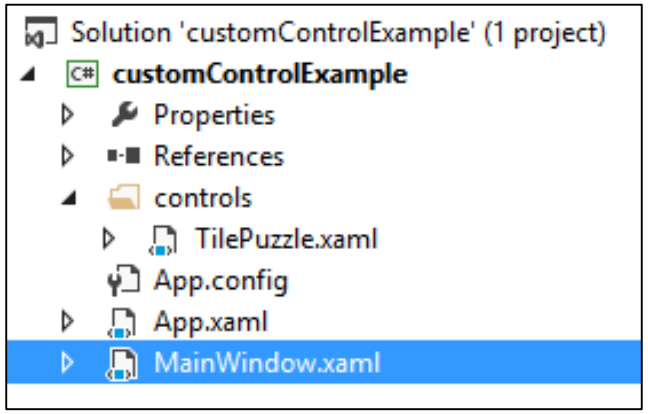
    <Grid>
        <Controls:
    </Grid>
</Window>
```

TilePuzzle



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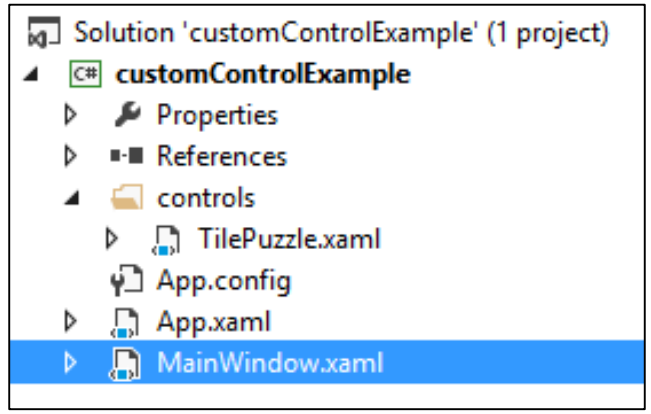
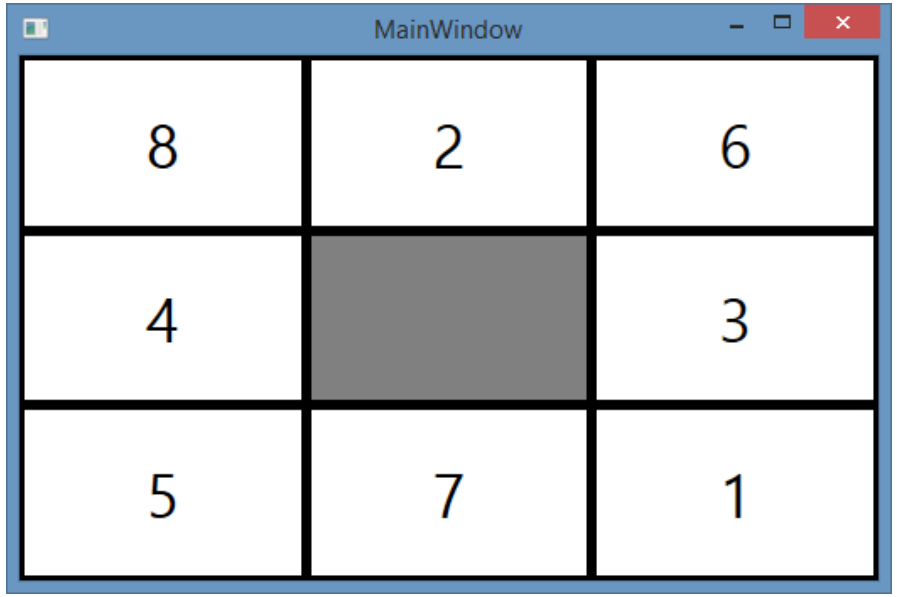
    <Grid>
        <Controls:TilePuzzle />
    </Grid>
</Window>
```



We want to be able to do this:

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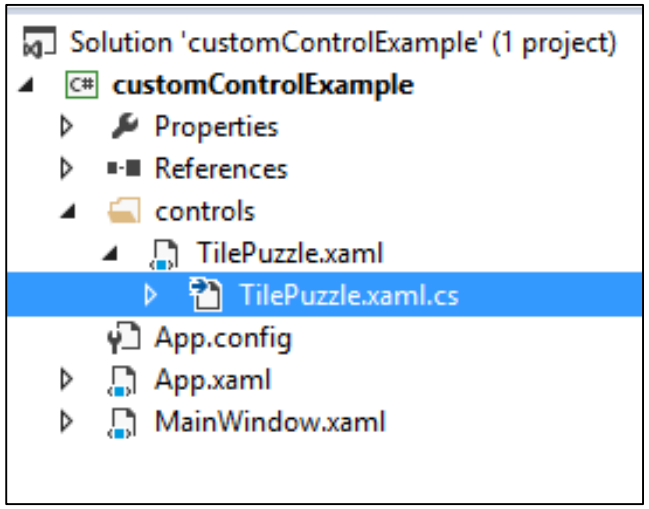
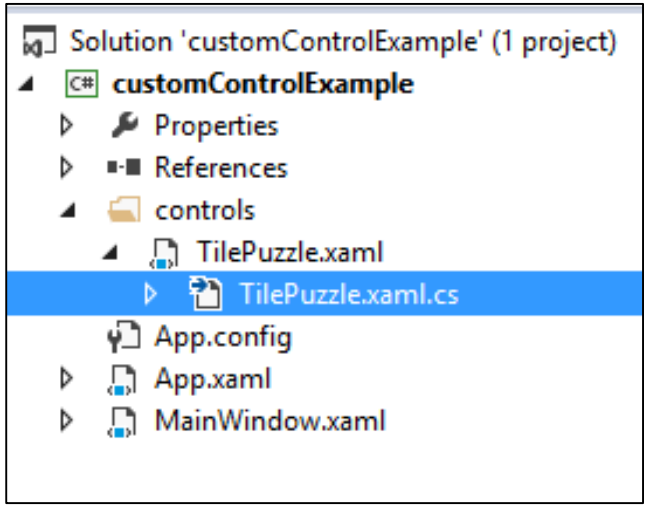



```
namespace customControlExample.controls
{
    /// <summary>
    /// Interaction logic for TilePuzzle.xaml
    /// </summary>
    public partial class TilePuzzle : UserControl
    {
        public TilePuzzle()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
        }

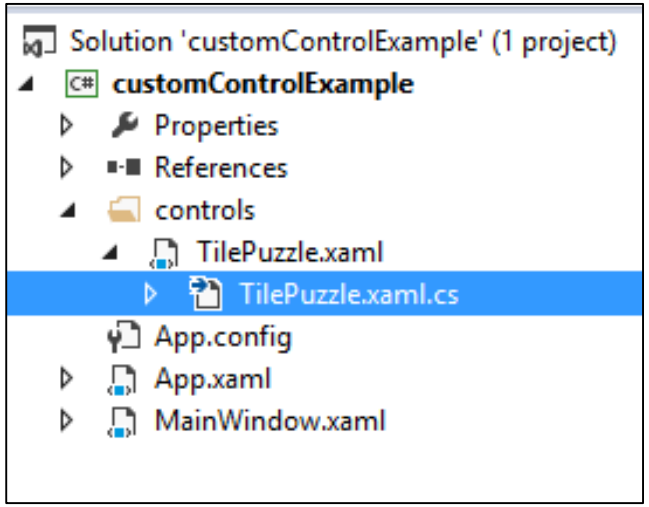
    }
}
```

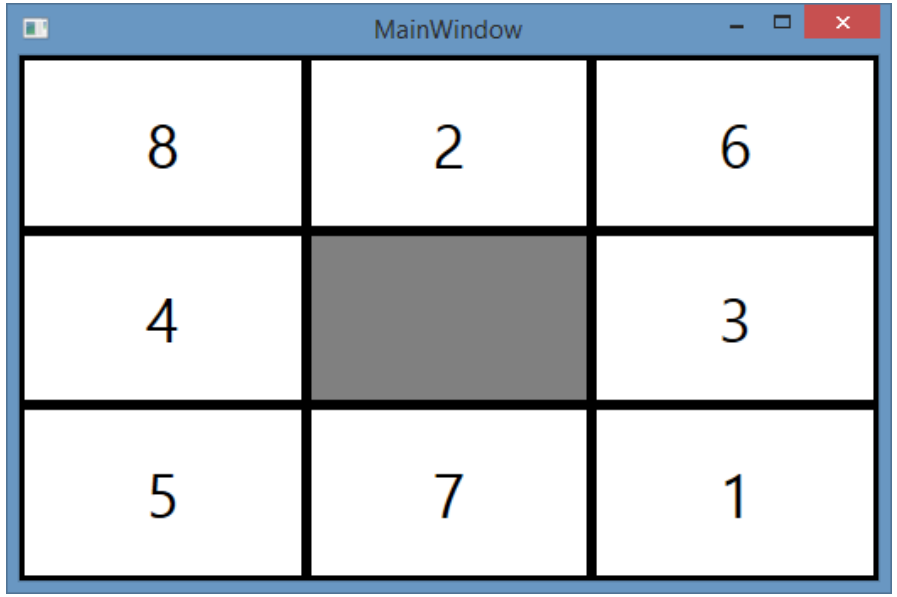
```
public partial class TilePuzzle : UserControl
{
        Label[] tiles;
        public TilePuzzle()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
            tiles = new Label[9];
            tiles[0] = l1;
            tiles[1] = l2;
            tiles[2] = l3;
            tiles[3] = l4;
            tiles[4] = l5;
            tiles[5] = l6;
            tiles[6] = l7;
            tiles[7] = l8;
            tiles[8] = l9;
        }
```

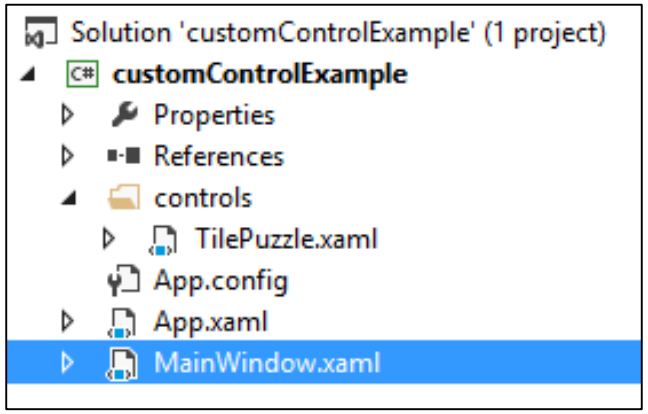


Let’s add a property named Order

```
public string Order
{
    get {
        string s="";
        foreach(Label l in tiles)
            s+=l.Content.ToString();
        return s;
    }
    set {
        string s = value;
        for (int i = 0; i < 9; i++) {
            tiles[i].Content = s[i];
            if (s[i] == ' ')
                tiles[i].Background =Brushes.Gray;
            else
                tiles[i].Background = Brushes.White;
        }
    }
}
```







We achieved this!

```
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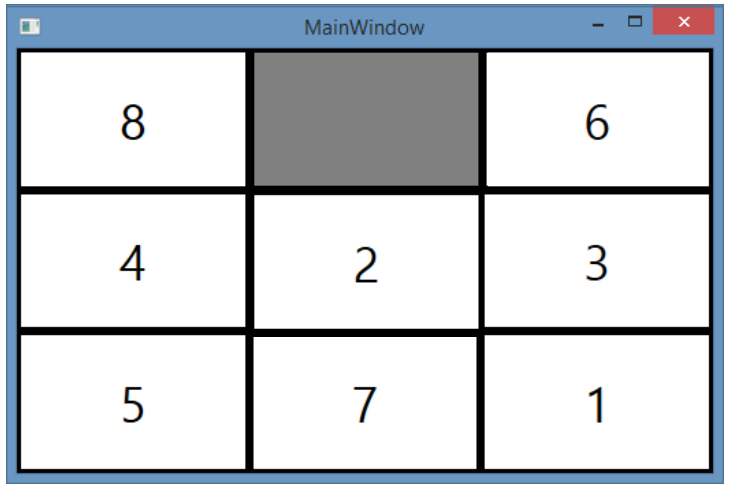
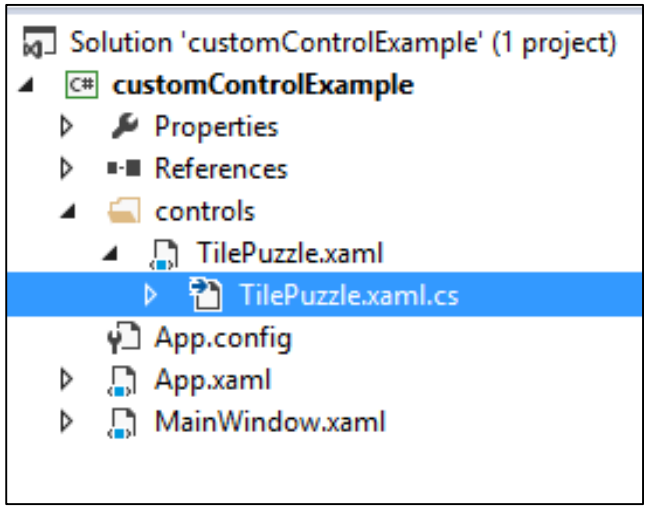
        xmlns:x="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
        xmlns:Controls="clr-namespace:customControlExample.controls"
        Title="MainWindow" Height="350" Width="525">
    <Grid>
        <Controls:TilePuzzle Order="8264 3571"/>
    </Grid>
</Window>
```

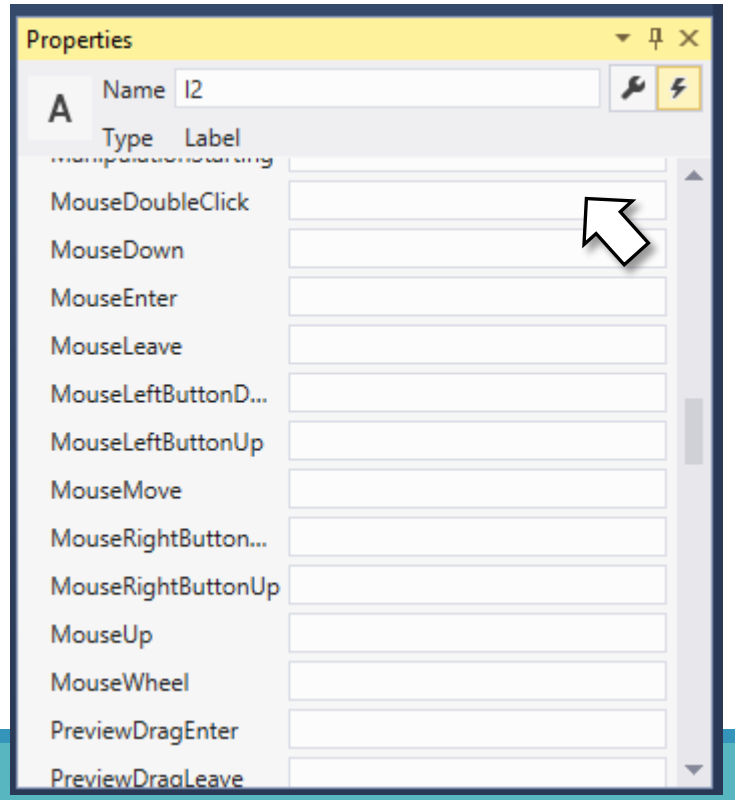




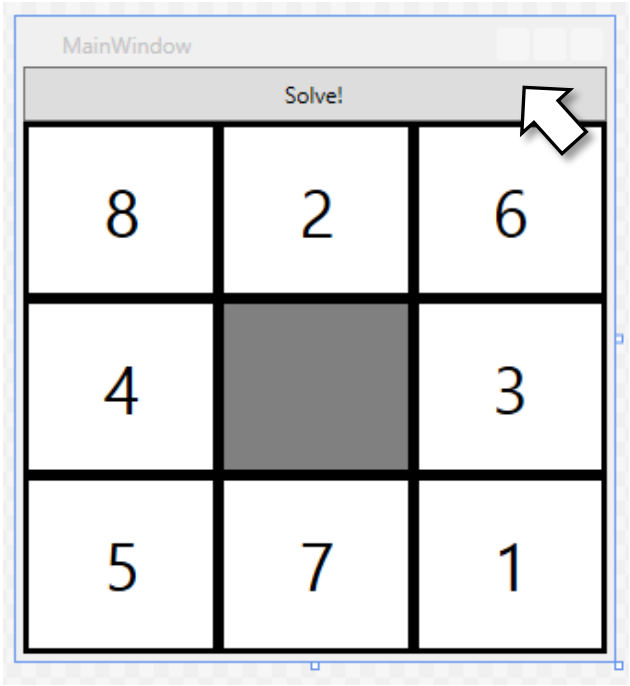

```
private void l2_MouseDoubleClick(object sender, MouseButtonEventArgs e)
{
    char[] s = Order.ToCharArray() ;
    if      (s[0] == ' ') s[0] = s[1];
    else if (s[2] == ' ') s[2] = s[1];
    else if (s[4] == ' ') s[4] = s[1];

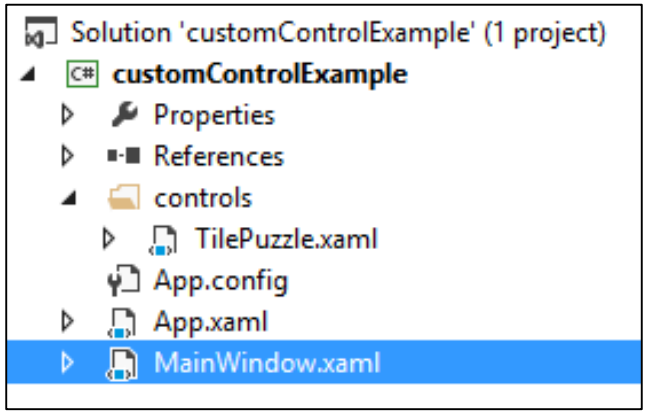
    s[1] = ' ';
    Order = new String(s);
}

// Order="8264 3571" → Order="8 6423571"
```



Let’s add a “solve!” Button
in a dock panel



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        xmlns:Controls="clr-namespace:customControlExample.controls"
        Title="MainWindow" Height="350" Width="325">
    <DockPanel>
        <Button DockPanel.Dock="Top" Height="30">Solve!</Button>
        <Controls:TilePuzzle x:Name="puzzle" Order="8264 3571"/>
    </DockPanel>
</Window>
```

```
namespace customControlExample
{
    /// <summary>
    /// Interaction logic for MainWindow.xaml
    /// </summary>
    public partial class MainWindow : Window
    {
        public MainWindow()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
        }

        private void Button_Click(object sender, RoutedEventArgs e)
        {
            // this should lead the Model to solve the puzzle...
            // for now let's just do this:
            puzzle.Order = "12345678 ";
        }
    }
}
```