ADO.NET Disconnected Layer

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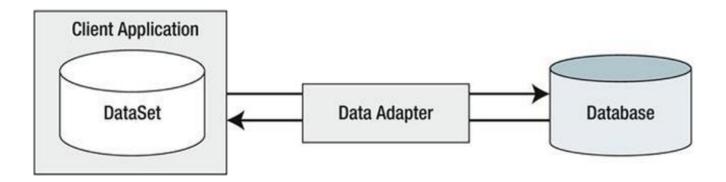
- Overview
- DataSet
- DataTables, DataColumns, DataRows
- Binding DataTable objects to DataGridView
- Data Adapters
- Multiple tables and relationships
- Using Windows Forms DB designer tools
- LINQ and DataSet

Overview of Disconnected Layer

- Build an in-memory model of the database
- Manipulate the database
- Sync to actual stored database
- DB can be different forms
 - XML file
 - SQL Server
 - O ...

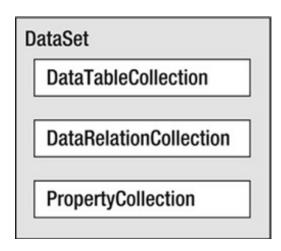
DataAdapter and DataSet

- DataAdapter object uses DataSet objects
- Think of DataSet as an in memory database
- DataAdapter generates SQL code to get records and update database.
- The data adapter object of your data provider handles the database connection automatically.
- In an effort to increase scalability, data adapters keep the connection open for the shortest amount of time possible. After the caller receives the DataSet object, the calling tier is completely disconnected from thedatabase and left with a local copy of the remote data.
- The caller is free to insert, delete, or update rows from a given DataTable, but the physical
 database is not updated until the caller explicitly passes a DataTable in the DataSet to the data
 adapter for updating.



DataSet

- Basically, an in-memory database schema consisting of the following:
 - DataTableCollection
 - A set of database tables
 - DataRelationCollection
 - A set of relations, equivalent to foreign key constraints
 - PropertyCollection
 - metadata



DataSet key properties

Table 22-1. Properties of the DataSet

Property	Meaning in Life
CaseSensitive	Indicates whether string comparisons in DataTable objects are case sensitive (or not). The default is false (string comparisons are not case sensitive by default).
DataSetName	Represents the friendly name of this DataSet. Typically, you establish this value as a constructor parameter.
EnforceConstraints	Gets or sets a value indicating whether constraint rules are followed when attempting any update operations (the default is true).
HasErrors	Gets a value indicating whether there are errors in any of the rows in any of the DataTables of the DataSet.
RemotingFormat	Allows you to define how the DataSet should serialize its content (binary or XML, which is the default).

DataSet key methods

 Table 22-2.
 Select Methods of the DataSet

Methods	Meaning in Life
AcceptChanges()	Commits all the changes made to this DataSet since it was loaded or the last time AcceptChanges() was called.
Clear()	Completely clears the DataSet data by removing every row in each DataTable.
Clone()	Clones the structure, but not the data, of the DataSet, including all DataTables, as well as all relations and any constraints.
Copy()	Copies both the structure and data for this DataSet.
GetChanges()	Returns a copy of the DataSet containing all changes made to it since it was last loaded or since AcceptChanges() was called. This method is overloaded so that you can get just the new rows, just the modified rows, or just the deleted rows.
HasChanges()	Gets a value indicating whether the DataSet has changes, including new, deleted, or modified rows.
Merge()	Merges this DataSet with a specified DataSet.
ReadXml()	Allows you to define the structure of a DataSet object and populate it with data, based on XML schema and data read from a stream.
RejectChanges()	Rolls back all the changes made to this DataSet since it was created or since the last time AcceptChanges() was called.
WriteXml()	Allows you to write out the contents of a DataSet into a valid stream.

Creating an in-memory database with ADO

- Create a DataSet
- Create DataColumns for each DataTable
- Create DataRelations
- Add data
- Done!
- For all examples, see SimpleDataSet

Create a DataSet

- Create it with a friendly name
- Set metadata if need be
 - Note that this could be used for Windows Forms labels etc later
- DataSet has DataTables, which consist of DataColumns and DataRows

```
// Create the DataSet object and add a few properties.
var carsInventoryDS = new DataSet("Car Inventory");

carsInventoryDS.ExtendedProperties["TimeStamp"] = DateTime.Now;
carsInventoryDS.ExtendedProperties["DataSetID"] = Guid.NewGuid();
carsInventoryDS.ExtendedProperties["Company"] = "Mikko's Hot Tub Super Store";
```

DataColumns for a DataTable

Table 22-3. Properties of the DataColumn

Properties	Meaning in Life
AllowDBNull	You use this property to indicate whether a row can specify null values in this column. The default value is true.
AutoIncrement AutoIncrementSeed AutoIncrementStep	You use these properties to configure the autoincrement behavior for a given column. This can be helpful when you want to ensure unique values in a given DataColumn (such as a primary key). By default, a DataColumn does not support autoincrement behavior.
Caption	This property gets or sets the caption you want to display for this column. This allows you to define a user-friendly version of a literal database column name.
ColumnMapping	This property determines how a DataColumn is represented when a DataSet is saved as an XML document using the DataSet.WriteXml() method. You can specify that the data column should be written out as an XML element, an XML attribute, simple text content, or ignored altogether.
ColumnName	This property gets or sets the name of the column in the Columns collection (meaning how it is represented internally by the DataTable). If you do not set the ColumnName explicitly, the default values are Column with $(n+1)$ numerical suffixes (e.g., Column1, Column2, and Column3).
DataType	This property defines the data type (e.g., Boolean, string, or float) stored in the column.
DefaultValue	This property gets or sets the default value assigned to this column when you insert new rows.
Expression	This property gets or sets the expression used to filter rows, calculate a column's value, or create an aggregate column.
Ordinal	This property gets the numerical position of the column in the Columns collection maintained by the DataTable.
ReadOnly	This property determines whether this column is read-only, once a row has been added to the table. The default is false.
Table	This property gets the DataTable that contains this DataColumn.
Unique	This property gets or sets a value indicating whether the values in each row of the column must be unique or if repeating values are permissible. If you assign a column a primary key constraint, then you must set the Unique property to true.

Create DataColumn

- Note that primary key does not have nulls, is unique, and has autoincrement
 - Set with properties
- Every column is constructed with a column name and data type
 - Note use of typeof(), indicating basic SQL types

```
var carIDColumn = new DataColumn("CarID", typeof(int))
{
    Caption = "Car ID",
        ReadOnly = true,
        AllowDBNull = false,
        Unique = true,
        AutoIncrement = true,
        AutoIncrementSeed = 1,
        AutoIncrementStep = 1
};

var carMakeColumn = new DataColumn("Make", typeof(string));
var carColorColumn = new DataColumn("Color", typeof(string));

// this shows how to use the Caption property for a column

var carNameColumn = new DataColumn("Name", typeof(string))
{
        Caption = "Car Name"
};
```

Create DataTable and add columns

- Create a DataTable with a name identifier
- Add columns
 - Note use of AddRange, but could do this in order using Add() as well.

```
// Now add DataColumns to a DataTable.
var inventoryTable = new DataTable("Inventory");
inventoryTable.Columns.AddRange(new[]
{carIDColumn, carMakeColumn, carColorColumn, carPetNameColumn});
```

DataRow

Table 22-4. Key Members of the DataRow Type

Members	Meaning in Life
HasErrors GetColumnsInError() GetColumnError() ClearErrors() RowError	The HasErrors property returns a Boolean value indicating whether there are errors in a DataRow. If so, you can use the GetColumnsInError() method to obtain the offending columns and GetColumnError() to obtain the error description. Similarly, you can use the ClearErrors() method to remove each error listing for the row. The RowError property allows you to configure a textual description of the error for a given row.
ItemArray	This property gets or sets all the column values for this row using an array of objects.
RowState	You use this property to pinpoint the current <i>state</i> of the DataRow in the DataTable containing the DataRow, using values of the RowState enumeration (e.g., a row can be flagged as new, modified, unchanged, or deleted).
Table	You use this property to obtain a reference to the DataTable containing this DataRow.
AcceptChanges() RejectChanges()	These methods commit or reject all changes made to this row since the last time AcceptChanges() was called.
<pre>BeginEdit() EndEdit() CancelEdit()</pre>	These methods begin, end, or cancel an edit operation on a DataRow object.
Delete()	This method marks a row you want to remove when the AcceptChanges() method is called.
IsNull()	This method gets a value indicating whether the specified column contains a null value.

Adding data with NewRow()

- Rows do not have a constructor!!
- Instead, a DataTable method NewRow()
- Then add the row using Rows.Add()

```
// Now add a few more rows to the Inventory Table.
           DataRow carRow = inventoryTable.NewRow();
           carRow["Make"] = "BMW";
           carRow["Color"] = "Black";
           carRow["Name"] = "X3";
           inventoryTable.Rows.Add(carRow);
           carRow = inventoryTable.NewRow();
           // Column 0 is the autoincremented ID field,
           // so start at 1.
           carRow[1] = "Saab";
           carRow[2] = "Red";
           carRow[3] = "9000";
           inventoryTable.Rows.Add(carRow);
```

RowState property

Understanding the RowState Property

The RowState property is useful when you need to identify programmatically the set all rows in a table that have changed from their original value, have been newly inserted, and so forth. You can assign this property any value from the DataRowState enumeration, as shown in Table 22-5.

Table 22-5. Values of the DataRowState Enumeration

Value	Meaning in Life
Added	The row has been added to a DataRowCollection, and AcceptChanges() has not been called.
Deleted	The row has been marked for deletion using the Delete() method of the DataRow, and AcceptChanges() has not been called.
Detached	The row has been created but is not part of any DataRowCollection. A DataRow is in this state immediately after it has been created, but before it is added to a collection. It is also in this state if it has been removed from a collection.
Modified	The row has been modified, and AcceptChanges() has not been called.
Unchanged	The row has not changed since AcceptChanges() was last called.

When you manipulate the rows of a given DataTable programmatically, the RowState property is set automatically. For example, add a new method to your Program class, which operates on a local DataRow object, printing out its row state along the way, like so:

Editing Rows

Table 22-6. Values of the DataRowVersion Enumeration

Value	Meaning in Life
Current	This represents the current value of a row, even after changes have been made.
Default	This is the default version of DataRowState. For a DataRowState value of Added, Modified, or Deleted, the default version is Current. For a DataRowState value of Detached, the version is Proposed.
Original	This represents the value first inserted into a DataRow or the value the last time AcceptChanges() was called.
Proposed	This is the value of a row currently being edited because of a call to BeginEdit().

As suggested in Table 22-6, the value of the DataRowVersion property is dependent on the value of the DataRowState property in many cases. As mentioned previously, the DataRowVersion property will be changed behind the scenes when you invoke various methods on the DataRow (or, in some cases, the DataTable) object. Here is a breakdown of the methods that can affect the value of a row's DataRowVersion property:

- If you call the DataRow.BeginEdit() method and change the row's value, the Current and Proposed values become available.
- If you call the DataRow.CancelEdit() method, the Proposed value is deleted.
- After you call DataRow. EndEdit(), the Proposed value becomes the Current value.
- After you call the DataRow.AcceptChanges() method, the Original value becomes
 identical to the Current value. The same transformation occurs when you call
 DataTable.AcceptChanges().
- After you call DataRow.RejectChanges(), the Proposed value is discarded, and the version becomes Current.

Yes, this is a bit convoluted, not least because a DataRow might or might not have all versions at any given time (you'll receive runtime exceptions if you attempt to obtain a row version that is not currently tracked). Regardless of the complexity, given that the DataRow maintains three copies of data, it becomes simple to build a front end that allows an end user to alter values, change his or her mind and roll back

Editing Rows

- Once an AcceptChanges() has been invoked, one needs to edit rows
- Get the Row from the table, BeginEdit(), change data, EndEdit(), then AcceptChanges()
- This is basically the same as a Transaction with Commit and Rollback

```
DataRow carRow = ds.Tables["Inventory"].Rows[1];
carRow.BeginEdit();
WriteLine($"BeginEdit row, state: {carRow.RowState}");

carRow["Make"] = "Lincoln";
WriteLine($"Changed value of Make to {carRow["Make"]}, state: {carRow.RowState}");
carRow.EndEdit();
WriteLine($"EndEdit row, state: {carRow.RowState}");
carRow.AcceptChanges();
WriteLine($"AcceptChanges row, state: {carRow.RowState}");
```

DataTables (setting PrimaryKey)

Table 22-7. Key Members of the DataTable Type

Member	Meaning in Life
CaseSensitive	Indicates whether string comparisons within the table are case sensitive. The default value is false.
ChildRelations	Returns the collection of child relations for this DataTable (if any).
Constraints	Gets the collection of constraints maintained by the table.
Copy()	A method that copies the schema and data of a given DataTable into a new instance.
DataSet	Gets the DataSet that contains this table (if any).
DefaultView	Gets a customized view of the table that might include a filtered view or a cursor position.
ParentRelations	Gets the collection of parent relations for this DataTable.
PrimaryKey	Gets or sets an array of columns that function as primary keys for the data table.
TableName	Gets or sets the name of the table. This same property might also be specified as a constructor parameter.

To continue with the current example, you can set the PrimaryKey property of the DataTable to the carIDColumn DataColumn object. Be aware that the PrimaryKey property is assigned a collection of DataColumn objects to account for a multicolumned key. In this case, however, you need to specify only the CarID column (being the first ordinal position in the table), like so:

```
static void FillDataSet(DataSet ds)
{
...
    // Mark the primary key of this table.
    inventoryTable.PrimaryKey = new [] { inventoryTable.Columns[0] };
}
```

Add the table to the DataSet

- Note the AcceptChanges() finishes table creation in memory
- Then add to DataSet

```
// Mark the primary key of this table.
inventoryTable.PrimaryKey = new[] { inventoryTable.Columns[0] };
inventoryTable.AcceptChanges();

// Finally, add our table to the DataSet.
ds.Tables.Add(inventoryTable);
```

Reading Data (Rows and Columns)

- Columns[i].ColumnName to get the name of the column
- Notice use of Rows[i][j] as a way to iterate through the table

```
static void DisplayDataSetUsingRowsAndColumns(DataSet dataSet)
   const int columnWidth = 10;
   // Print out each table using rows and columns
   foreach (DataTable dataTable in dataSet.Tables)
       WriteLine($"Rows and Columns => {dataTable.TableName} Table:");
        // Print out the column names.
       for (var column = 0; column < dataTable.Columns.Count; column++)</pre>
           Write($"{dataTable.Columns[column].ColumnName, columnWidth}");
       WriteLine("\n-----");
        // Print the DataTable.
       for (var row = 0; row < dataTable.Rows.Count; row++)</pre>
           for (var column = 0; column < dataTable.Columns.Count; column++)</pre>
               Write($"{dataTable.Rows[row][column], columnWidth}");
           WriteLine();
```

Reading Data (DataReader)

Works just like connected layer DataReader!

```
/ <summary>
/// Display an individual table using DataReader
/// <param name="dataTable">DataTable</param>
static void DisplayTableUsingDataReader(DataTable dataTable)
   const int columnWidth = 10;
   WriteLine($"Data Reader => {dataTable.TableName} Table:");
   // Display the column names.
   for (int column = 0; column < dataTable.Columns.Count; column++)</pre>
       Write($"{dataTable.Columns[column].ColumnName.Trim(),columnWidth}");
   WriteLine("\n-----");
    // Get the DataTableReader type.
    DataTableReader dataTableReader = dataTable.CreateDataReader();
   // The DataTableReader works just like the DataReader.
   while (dataTableReader.Read())
       for (var i = 0; i < dataTableReader.FieldCount; i++)</pre>
           Write($"{dataTableReader.GetValue(i).ToString().Trim(),columnWidth}");
       WriteLine():
    dataTableReader.Close();
```

Manipulating RowState

```
var temp = new DataTable("Temp");
temp.Columns.Add(new DataColumn("TempColumn",
typeof(int)));
// RowState = Detached.
var row = temp.NewRow();
WriteLine($"After calling NewRow(): {row.RowState}");
// RowState = Added.
temp.Rows.Add(row):
WriteLine($"After calling Rows.Add(): {row.RowState}");
// RowState = Added.
row["TempColumn"] = 10;
WriteLine($"After first assignment: {row.RowState}");
// RowState = Unchanged.
temp.AcceptChanges();
WriteLine($"After calling AcceptChanges:
{row.RowState}");
// RowState = Modified.
row["TempColumn"] = 11;
WriteLine($"After first assignment: {row.RowState}");
// RowState = Deleted.
temp.Rows[0].Delete();
WriteLine($"After calling Delete: {row.RowState}");
```

```
***** Fun with DataSets *****

After calling NewRow(): Detached

After calling Rows.Add(): Added

After first assignment: Added

After calling AcceptChanges: Unchanged

After first assignment: Modified

After calling Delete: Deleted
```

Save and Load as XML

- Notice no need for File, etc.
- Very simple
- Resulting files on next slides

```
// Save this DataSet as XML.
carsInventoryDS.WriteXml("carsDataSet.xml");
carsInventoryDS.WriteXmlSchema("carsDataSet.xsd");

// Clear out DataSet.
carsInventoryDS.Clear();

// Load DataSet from XML file.
carsInventoryDS.ReadXml("carsDataSet.xml");
```

XML Schema

```
<?xml version="1.0" standalone="yes"?>
<xs:schema id="Car_x0020_Inventory" xmlns="" xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"</pre>
xmlns:msdata="urn:schemas-microsoft-com:xml-msdata" xmlns:msprop="urn:schemas-microsoft-com:xml-
msprop">
  <xs:element name="Car x0020 Inventory" msdata:IsDataSet="true" msdata:UseCurrentLocale="true"</pre>
msprop:TimeStamp="02/19/2017 21:19:13" msprop:DataSetID="0472acbc-6b48-40bc-a1db-5e75e3a12e13"
msprop:Company="Mikko's Hot Tub Super Store">
    <xs:complexType>
      <xs:choice minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded">
        <xs:element name="Inventory">
          <xs:complexType>
            <xs:sequence>
              <xs:element name="CarID" msdata:ReadOnly="true" msdata:AutoIncrement="true"</pre>
msdata:AutoIncrementSeed="1" msdata:Caption="Car ID" type="xs:int" />
              <xs:element name="Make" type="xs:string" minOccurs="0" />
              <xs:element name="Color" type="xs:string" minOccurs="0" />
              <xs:element name="PetName" msdata:Caption="Pet Name" type="xs:string" minOccurs="0" />
            </xs:sequence>
          </xs:complexType>
        </xs:element>
      </xs:choice>
    </xs:complexType>
    <xs:unique name="Constraint1" msdata:PrimaryKey="true">
      <xs:selector xpath=".//Inventory" />
      <xs:field xpath="CarID" />
    </xs:unique>
  </xs:element>
</xs:schema>
```

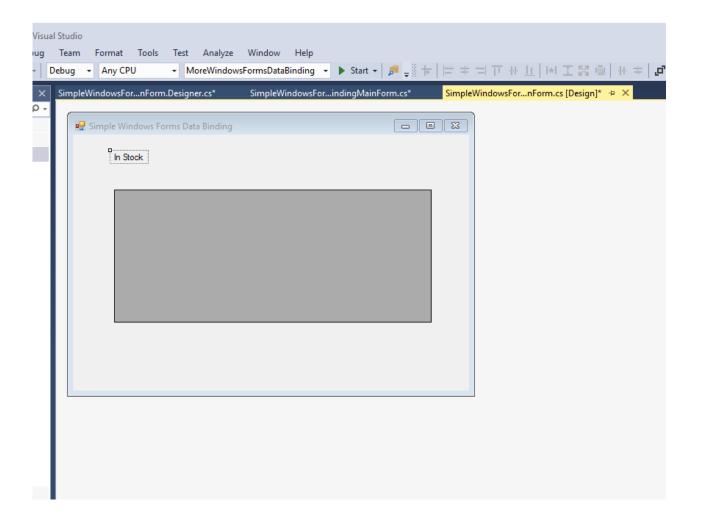
XML Data

```
<?xml version="1.0" standalone="yes"?>
<Car_x0020_Inventory>
  <Inventory>
    <CarID>1</CarID>
    <Make>BMW</Make>
    <Color>Black</Color>
    <PetName>Hamlet</PetName>
  </Inventory>
  <Inventory>
    <CarID>2</CarID>
    <Make>Lincoln</Make>
    <Color>Red</Color>
    <PetName>Sea Breeze</PetName>
  </Inventory>
</Car x0020 Inventory>
```

Windows Forms and ADO

- See SimpleWindowsFormsDataBinding
 - And other variations with filters
- Can bind a DataTable to a DataGridView
- As the DataGridView is edited, the Update() and Fill() methods will automatically sync the DB with the control

Create DataGridView control



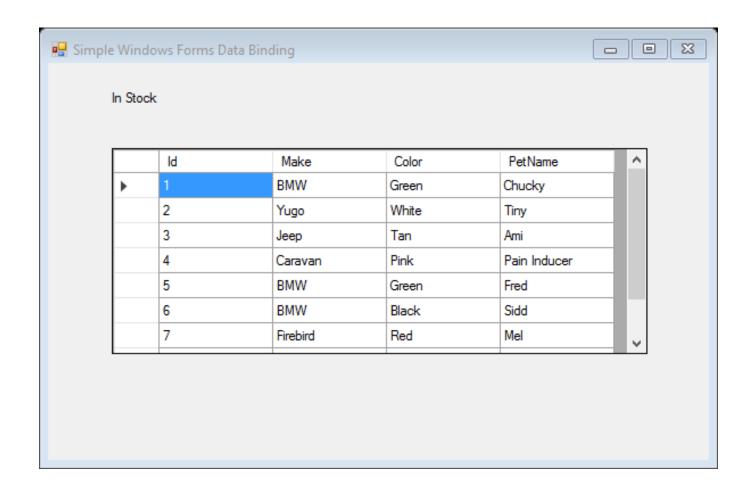
Add DataTable, and data

```
listCars = new List<Car>()
{
       new Car { CarId = 1, Name = "Chucky", Make = "BMW", Color = "Green" },
       new Car { CarId = 2, Name = "Tiny", Make = "Yugo", Color = "White" },
       new Car { CarId = 3, Name = "Ami", Make = "Jeep", Color = "Tan" },
       new Car { CarId = 4, Name = "Pain Inducer", Make = "Caravan", Color = "Pink"
       new Car { CarId = 5, Name = "Fred", Make = "BMW", Color = "Green" },
       new Car { CarId = 6, Name = "Sidd", Make = "BMW", Color = "Black" },
       new Car { CarId = 7, Name = "Mel", Make = "Firebird", Color = "Red" },
       new Car { CarId = 8, Name = "Sarah", Make = "Colt", Color = "Black" },
};
CreateDataTable();
```

CreateDataTable

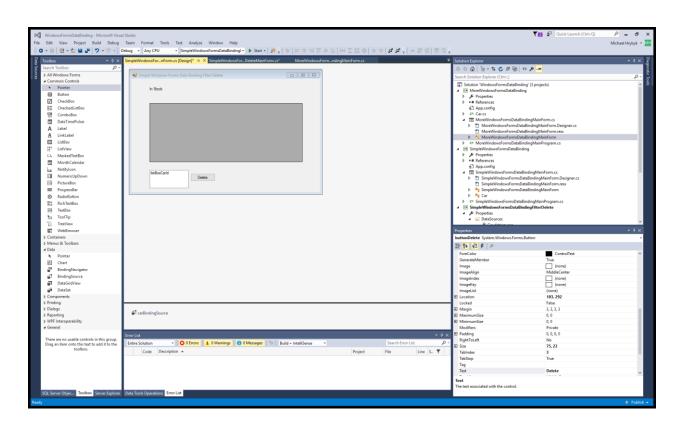
```
void CreateDataTable()
    // Create table schema.
   var carIDColumn = new DataColumn("CarId", typeof(int))
        { Caption = "Car ID" };
    var carMakeColumn = new DataColumn("Make", typeof(string));
    var carColorColumn = new DataColumn("Color", typeof(string));
    var carNameColumn = new DataColumn("Name", typeof(string))
        { Caption = "Car Name" };
    inventoryTable.Columns.AddRange(
        new[] { carIDColumn, carMakeColumn, carColorColumn, carNameColumn });
    // Iterate over the array list to make rows.
    foreach (var c in listCars)
        var newRow = inventoryTable.NewRow();
        newRow["CarId"] = c.CarId;
        newRow["Make"] = c.Make;
        newRow["Color"] = c.Color;
        newRow["Name"] = c.Name;
        inventoryTable.Rows.Add(newRow);
    // Bind the DataTable to the carInventoryGridView.
    dataGridViewInventory.DataSource = inventoryTable;
    dataGridViewInventory.AllowUserToAddRows = false;
    dataGridViewInventory.AllowUserToDeleteRows = false;
```

Output



Delete an item

- Let's add a ListBox and Button
- See SimpleWindowsFormsDataBindingDelete



Fill in the listBox

- Simply add a line where we are adding to the table, add Carld to the listBox
- or use LINQ

```
foreach (var c in listCars)
        var newRow = inventoryTable.NewRow();
        newRow["CarId"] = c.CarId;
        newRow["Make"] = c.Make;
        newRow["Color"] = c.Color;
        newRow["Name"] = c.Name;
        inventoryTable.Rows.Add(newRow);
        //listBoxCarId.Items.Add(c.Id.ToString()); // add Id to listBox while we are at it
    listBoxCarId.DataSource = GetCarIds(inventoryTable);
List<int> GetCarIds(DataTable dataTable)
    // Here is a way to use LINQ to get a list from a datatable
    return dataTable.AsEnumerable()
        .Select(x => x.Field<int>("CarId"))
        .OrderBy(x => x).ToList();
```

Button action

- Get the selected Carld from the listBox
- Lookup the Id using Select, which will return a list of rows
- Delete the row and AcceptChanges
- Remove the item from the listBox.

```
private void ButtonDelete_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    // get the ID to delete from the list box

    if (listBoxCarId.Items.Count == 0)
        return;

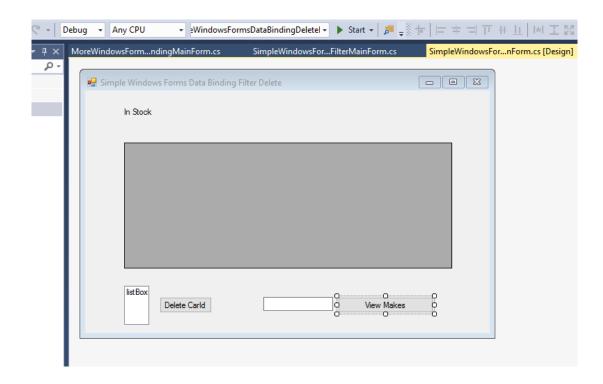
    // Find the correct row to delete.
    DataRow[] rowToDelete = inventoryTable
        .Select($"CarId={listBoxCarId.SelectedItem.ToString()}");

    // Delete it!
    rowToDelete[0].Delete();
    inventoryTable.AcceptChanges();

    listBoxCarId.DataSource = GetCarIds(inventoryTable);
}
```

Add a filter

- Add a button and textbox to filter on car names
- See SimpleWindowsFormsDataBindingDeleteFilter



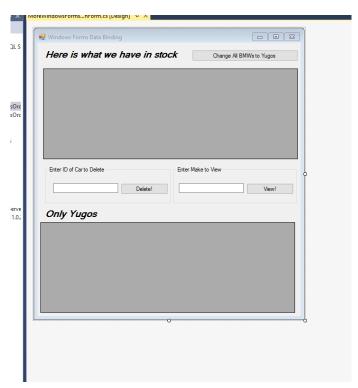
View Makes button action

- Select method takes two arguments:
 - o Filter string: criteria, like a sql where clause
 - sort: column and direction
- But easier to do with LINQ!!

```
private void ButtonViewMakes_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
           // Build a filter based on user input.
           string makesFilter = $"Make='{textBoxInputMake.Text}'";
           // Find all rows matching the filter.
          DataRow[] makes = inventoryTable.Select(makesFilter, "Name DESC");
          // use of standard ling
           var query =
               from DataRow row in inventoryTable.AsEnumerable()
               where row.Field<string>("Make") == textBoxInputMake.Text
               orderby row["Name"] descending
               select row;
          MessageBox.Show($"LINQ result count {query.Count()}", "Query Result", MessageBoxButtons.OK);
           string makesOutput = "";
           foreach(DataRow row in query)
               makesOutput += "Name: " + row["Name"] + ", Color: " + row["Color"] + "\n";
           MessageBox.Show(makesOutput, $"LINO We have {query.Count()} {textBoxInputMake.Text}'s named:");
           // just for fun, change datasource
           //dataGridViewInventory.DataSource = query.CopyToDataTable();
           //dataGridViewInventory.Refresh();
```

Add another DataGridView bound to DataView

- Create a DataView and bind that to the control
 - Similar to what was done with DataTable
- See MoreWindowsFormsDataBinding



CreateDataView

- called after CreateDataTable
- hydrates the lower DataGridViewControl
- sets RowFilter to an expression

```
private void CreateDataView()
{
    // Set the table that is used to construct this view.
    yugosOnlyView = new DataView(inventoryTable);

    // Now configure the views using a filter.
    yugosOnlyView.RowFilter = "Make = 'Yugo'";

    // Bind to the new grid.
    dataGridYugosView.DataSource = yugosOnlyView;
}
```

Data Adapters

Working with Data Adapters

Now that you understand the ins and outs of manipulating ADO.NET DataSets manually, it's time to turn your attention to the topic of *data adapter objects*. A data adapter is a class used to fill a DataSet with DataTable objects; this class can also send modified DataTables back to the database for processing. Table 22-8 documents the core members of the DbDataAdapter base class, the common parent to every data adapter object (e.g., SqlDataAdapter and OdbcDataAdapter).

Table 22-8. Core Members of the DbDataAdapter Class

Members	Meaning in Life
Fill()	Executes a SQL SELECT command (as specified by the SelectCommand property) to query the database for data and loads the data into a DataTable.
SelectCommand InsertCommand UpdateCommand DeleteCommand	Establishes the SQL commands that you will issue to the data store when the Fill() and Update() methods are called.
Update()	Executes SQL INSERT, UPDATE, and DELETE commands (as specified by the InsertCommand, UpdateCommand, and DeleteCommand properties) to persist DataTable changes to the database.

Notice that a data adapter defines four properties: SelectCommand, InsertCommand, UpdateCommand, and DeleteCommand. When you create the data adapter object for your particular data provider (e.g., SqlDataAdapter), you can pass in a string that represents the command text used by the SelectCommand's command object.

Assuming each of the four command objects has been properly configured, you can then call the Fill() method to obtain a DataSet (or a single DataTable, if you so choose). To do so, you have the data adapter execute the SQL SELECT statement specified by the SelectCommand property.

Data Adapters

- See FillDataSetUsingSqlDataAdapter
- Note that Fill() creates CommandText for Insert, Delete, Select commands automatically from database!
- Once table is "Fill()"d, changes can be made, and Update() called
 - DataGridView.DataSource can be set to the table
 - When TableAdapter.Update() is called, DataGridView is updated!
- See InventoryDALDIscconnectedGUI

```
new SqlCommandBuilder(inventoryAdapter); // needed to set up all SQL commands in adapter
inventoryAdapter.Fill(autoLotDataSet, "Inventory"); // note use of Fill
DisplayDataSet(autoLotDataSet);

// change command to only select id and name
// This will create a new table in the dataset
inventoryAdapter.SelectCommand.CommandText = "Select CarId,Name from Inventory";

// create new column mappings using friendly names

DataTableMapping namesColumnMappings = new DataTableMapping("Names", "Only Car Names");
namesColumnMappings.ColumnMappings.Add("CarId", "Car Id");
namesColumnMappings.ColumnMappings.Add("Name", "Car Name");
inventoryAdapter.TableMappings.Add(namesColumnMappings);

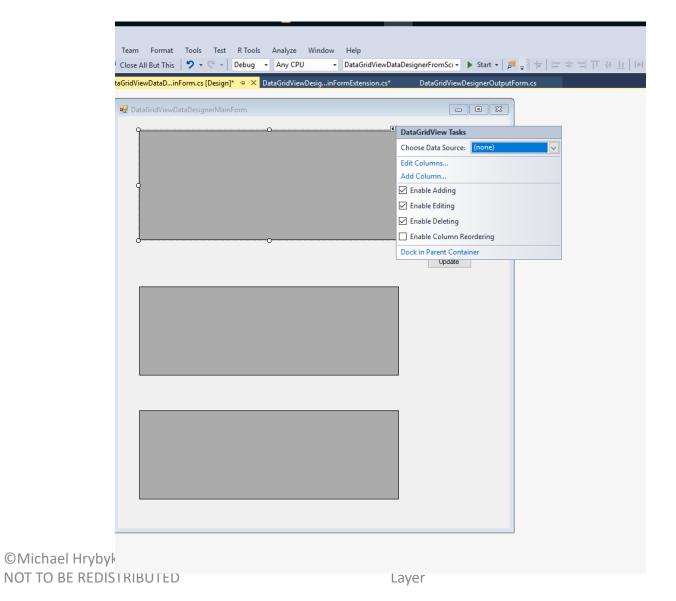
inventoryAdapter.Fill(autoLotDataSet, "Names"); // this actually creates a new table in
memory, but not in DB

DisplayDataSet(autoLotDataSet);
```

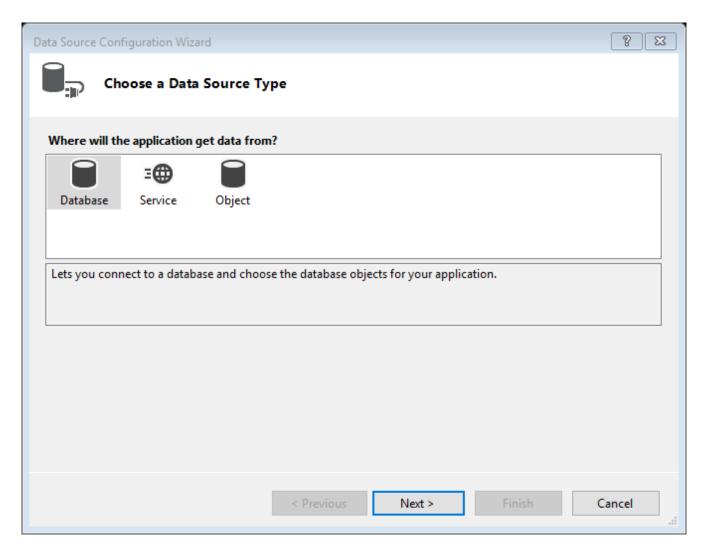
Using Windows Forms Data Designer

- First, (re)create the AutoLot database
 - Note the use of Seed sql script to seed the database
- Take a look at the database design view
 - O Note constraints!
- Adapters already done!
- Just fire it up and tables are loaded!
- See
 - DataGridViewDesigner just inventory table
 - MultiTableDataGridViewDesigner add other tables
 - AutoLotDataDesigner include all tables and views

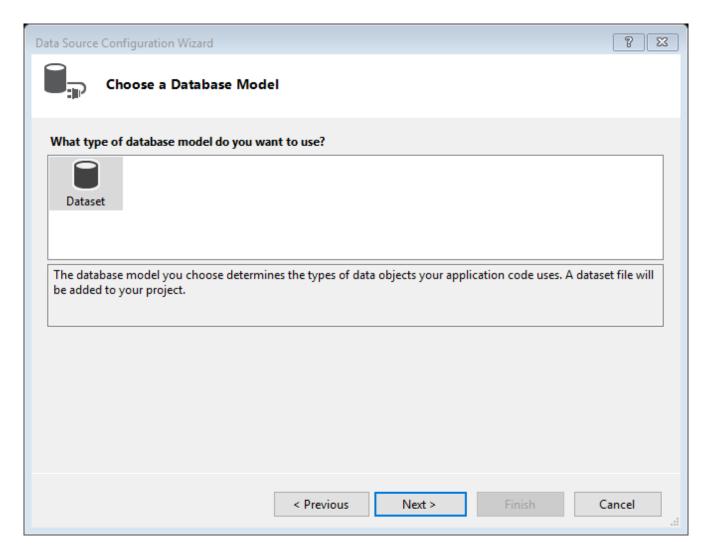
Create three DGVs, and start wizard



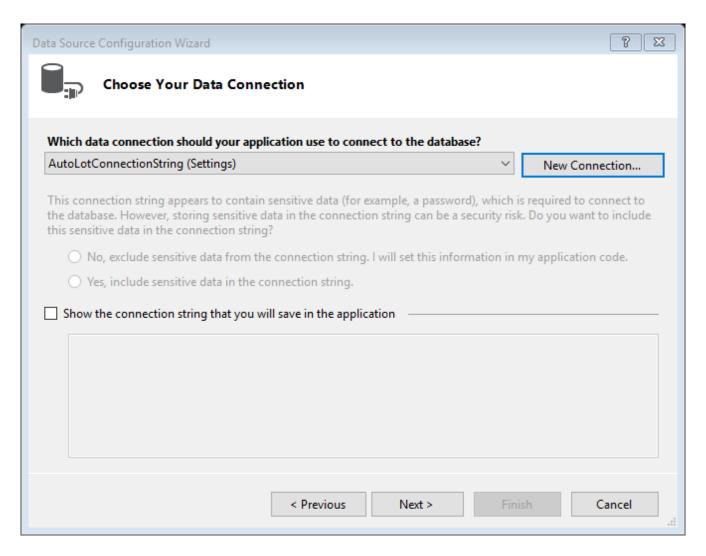
Add Project Data Source



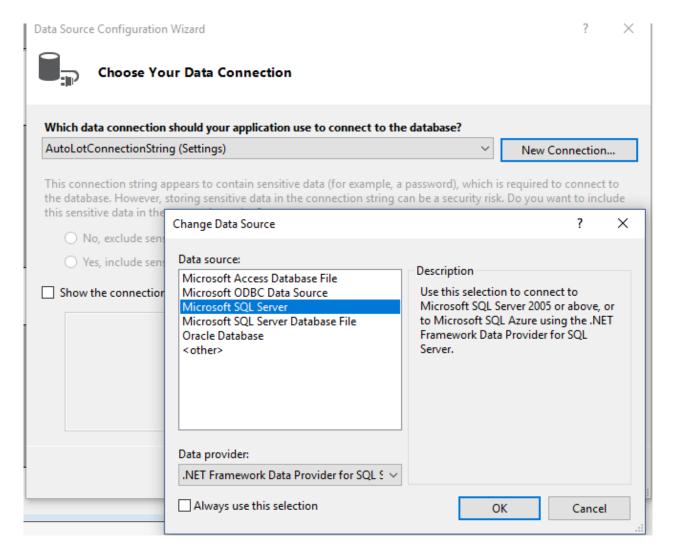
Select Dataset as database model



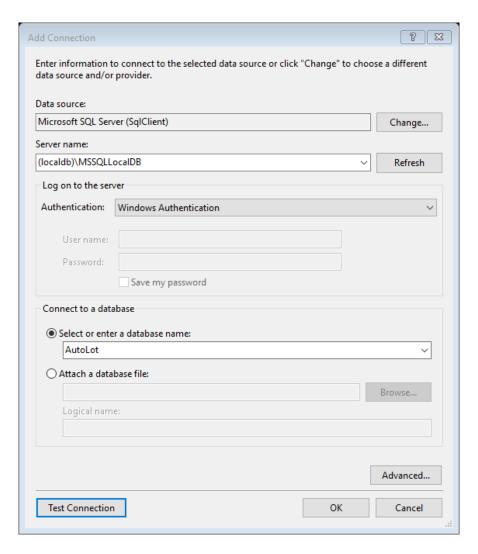
Create a connection to the database



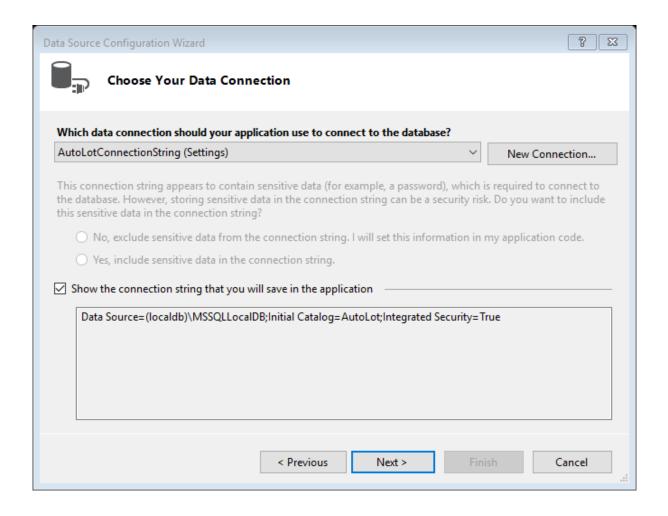
Specify SQL Server



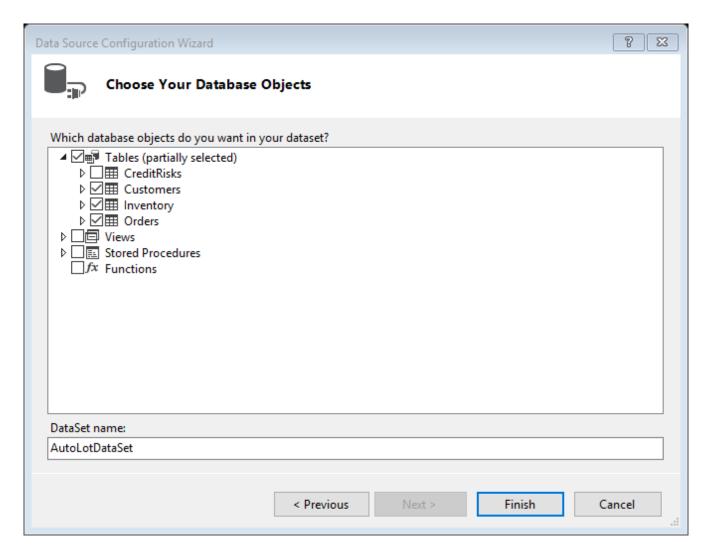
Set up the database connection



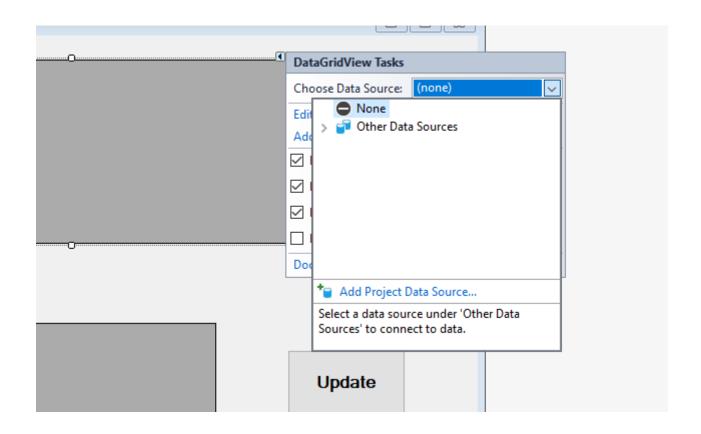
Check that everything is ok (App.Config)



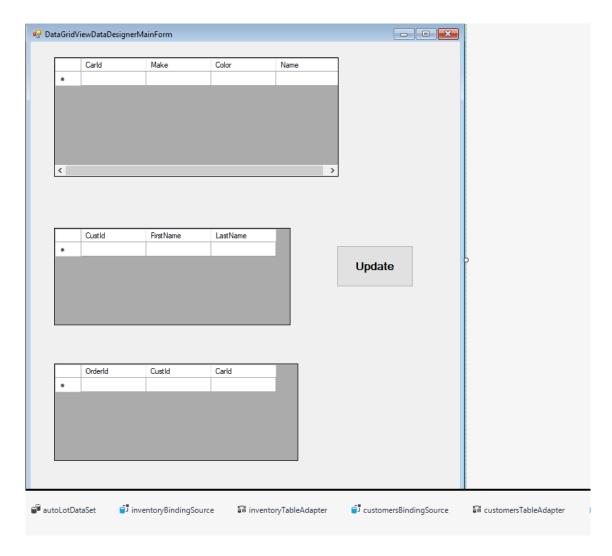
Select the database objects



Now for each DGV choose a table



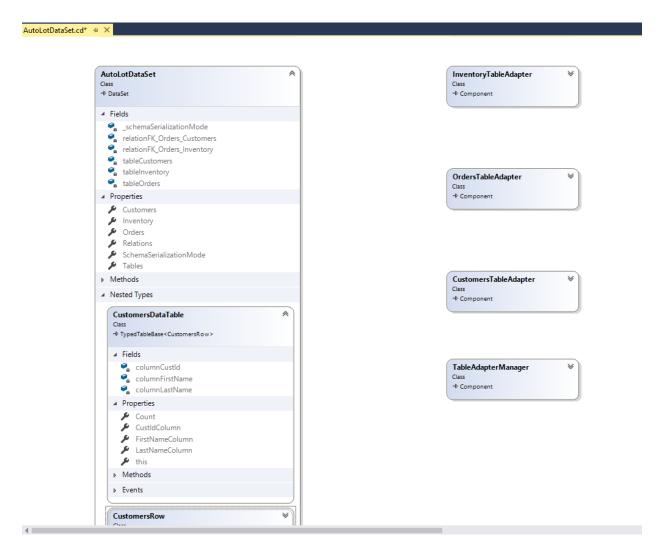
Finished controls



Windows Form Data Designer

- Use custom methods
- Strong types created for *each* table
 - Customers, Inventory, Orders
 - No need for Tables["Customers"] anymore
- Now add a button to update the database
 - o Fill() with each table

Fields are now typed (see class diagram)



App.config automatically set up

Everything is set up!

Code to run is preset

Notice all of the Fill() methods are generated.

Add an update button

- Button event: Update() and Fill() all tables
 - Note lack of exception processing here, which is NEEDED

```
public MainForm()
/// <summary>
/// Update the database with user input from datagridview controls, then
/// redisplay the reports in the output form.
/// </summary>
/// <param name="sender"></param>
/// <param name="e"></param>
private void ButtonUpdate Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
    ordersTableAdapter.Update(autoLotDataSet.Orders);
    customersTableAdapter.Update(autoLotDataSet.Customers);
    inventoryTableAdapter.Update(autoLotDataSet.Inventory);
    ordersTableAdapter.Fill(autoLotDataSet.Orders);
    customersTableAdapter.Fill(autoLotDataSet.Customers);
    inventoryTableAdapter.Fill(autoLotDataSet.Inventory);
    outputForm.Close();
    outputForm = new MultiTableDataGridViewDesignerOutputForm();
    outputForm.Show();
```

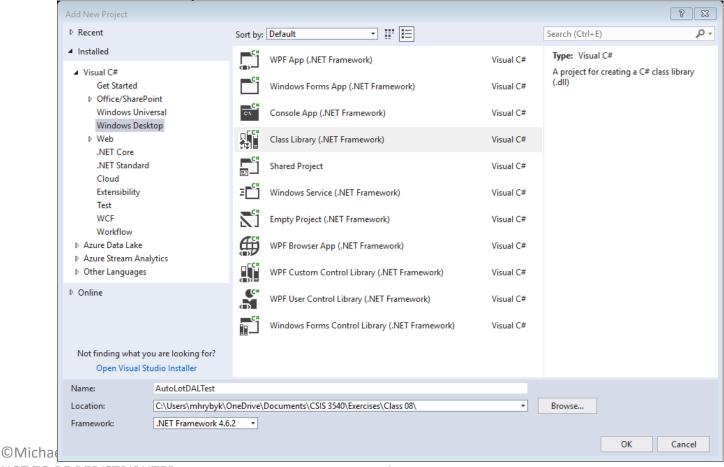
Can also auto generate and use

- For standalone, add Data item,
 - o add xsd schema and drag tables from database onto it
- Code will be generated to add strongly typed dataset
- Note that no column or row indices are now needed!
 - part of MultiTableDataGridViewDesigner, has additional output form

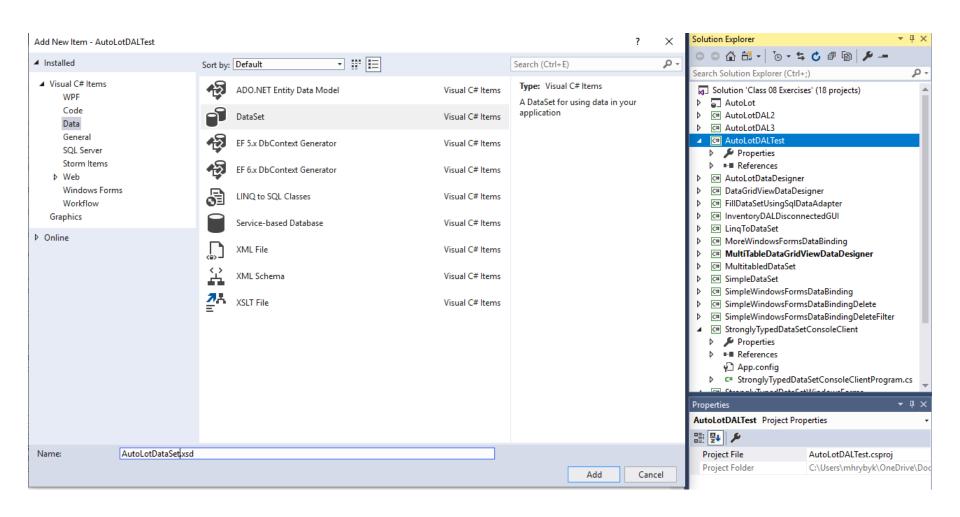
Create custom DAL

- Create our own AutoLotDAL from the database
- Will include table adapters and strongly typed classes corresponding to the database tables

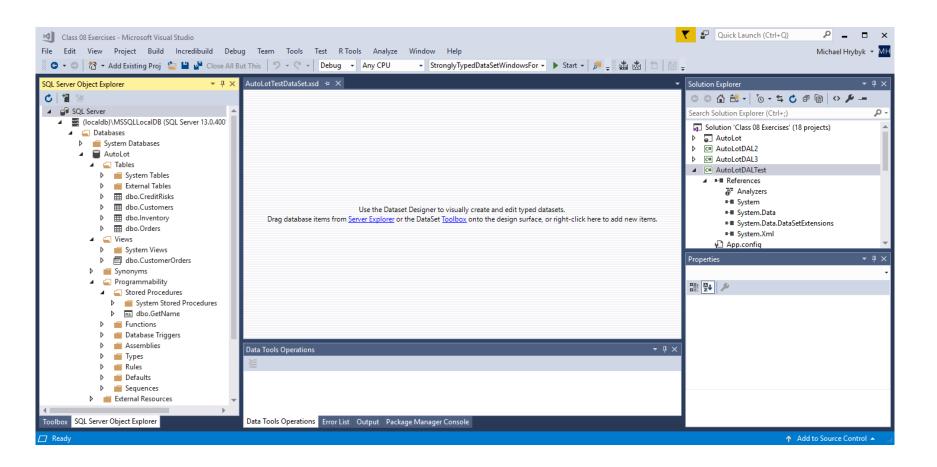
Add a class library named AutoLotDALTest



Add a dataset to the project

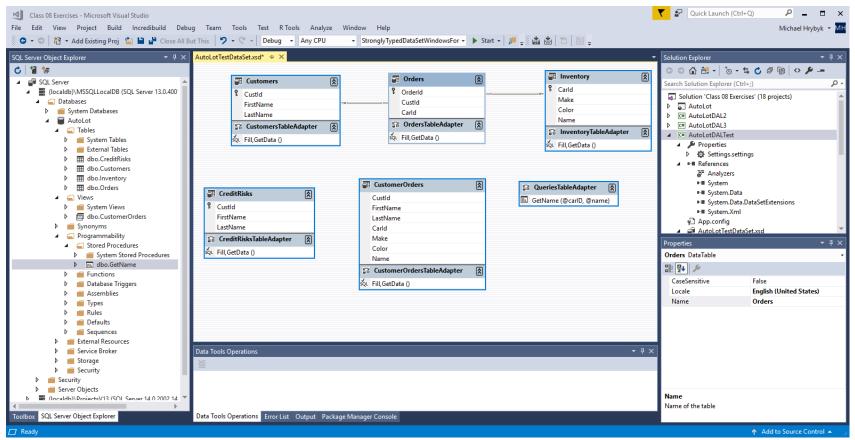


Expand AutoLot DB in Explorer to show all tables



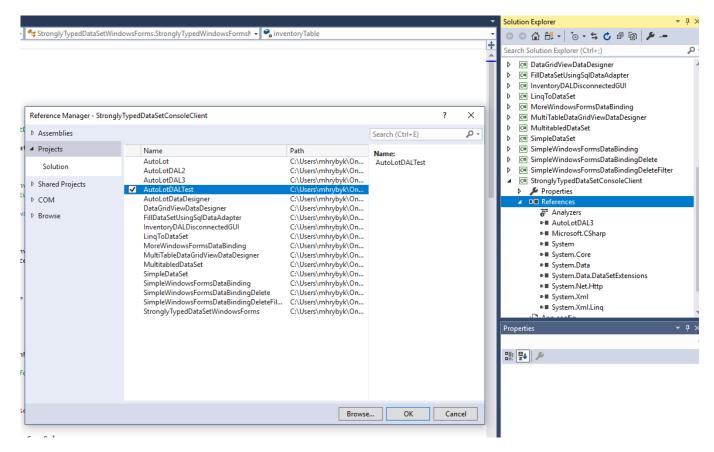
Create DAL library

- Drag tables, views, stored procedures to middle window
 - o Rearrange as needed
- Save project
- Build
- Now ready to use!!



Use in a program

 In StronglyTypedDataSetConsoleClient, add a reference to AutoLotDALTest



In the program edit to make use of DAL

- Add using statements
- Change AutoLotDataSet to AutoLotTestDataSet throughout the program
- The class library can now be used in any program!

```
using AutoLotDALTest;
using AutoLotDALTest.AutoLotTestDataSetTableAdapters;
```

Use of DataSet Designer

- You can use DataSet Designer to create a dataset within a project and use it with forms controls without using the wizard.
 - This makes your code more robust when changing the database.
- Create your form (view)
- Create the dataset using designer (model)
- Create DataTables and TableAdapters.
- Set controls Datasource property to a DataTable.
- Done!
- Examples:
 - StronglyTypedDataSet projects: Console, WindowsForms, WindowsFormsDesigner

Use of LINQ

- Examples
 - MultiTableDataGridViewDesigner
 - WindowsFormsDataBinding
 - LinqToDataSetApp
- DataSet table AsEnumerable(), then most LINQ methods available
- Use of Field<type>("ColumnName") to get strong typing and avoid casts
- CopyToDataTable() also useful when hydrating/binding LINQ result to DataSource

```
var ordersQuery =
    from order in ordersTable
    from car in inventoryTable
    from customer in customersTable
    where order.CustId == customer.CustId
    where order.CarId == car.CarId
    select new
    {
        car.CarId,
        car.Name,
        car.Make,
        CustomerId = customer.CustId,
        CustomerName = customer.FirstName + " " + customer.LastName,
    };
```