

Chapter 3 – PlayerPrefs

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Outline

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- ❖ The PlayerPrefs is a class in Unity used to save small amounts of data locally.
- ❖ PlayerPrefs can store string, float and integer values into the user's platform registry.
- ❖ Unity stores the PlayerPrefs data in a local registry, without encryption. Furthermore, the specific storage mechanism employed by PlayerPrefs varies across different operating systems on which the application is executed.

Static Methods (Set)

- ❖ **Set** refers to assigning a value to a new or an existing variable. You require to provide two parameters such as a string key and integer, Float, or String value.
- ❖ Method of Set with PlayerPrefs:
SetInt, SetFloat , and SetString.

```
public void SetInt(string KeyName, int Value)
{
    PlayerPrefs.SetInt(KeyName, Value);
}

public int GetInt(string KeyName)
{
    return PlayerPrefs.GetInt(KeyName);
}
```

Static Methods (HasKey)

- ❖ **HasKey** is a method within PlayPrefs that verify if the key exist.
- ❖ It returns true if the given key exists in PlayerPrefs, otherwise returns false.

```
public void HasKey(string KeyName)
{
    if (PlayerPrefs.HasKey(KeyName))
    {
        Debug.Log("The key " + KeyName + "
exists");
    }
    else
        Debug.Log("The key " + KeyName + "
does not exist");
}
```


Static Methods (Get)

- ❖ **Get** is method that return the value assigned or set using the Set methods. It returns the value corresponding to key in the preference file if it exists.
- ❖ Method of Get with PlayerPrefs:
GetInt, GetFloat , and GetString.

```
public void HasKey(string KeyName)
{
    if (PlayerPrefs.HasKey(KeyName))
    {
        Debug.Log("The key " + KeyName + "
exists");
    }
    else
        Debug.Log("The key " + KeyName + "
does not exist");
}
```

Static Methods (**DeleteKey**)

- ❖ **DeleteKey** is a method used to remove a specific key and its associated value from a Set data structure. If the key does not exist in the Set, calling **DeleteKey** has no effect on the data.
- ❖ Set data structure does not allow duplicate keys, so there can be only one value associated with a specific key.

```
public void DeleteKey(string KeyName)
{
    PlayerPrefs.DeleteKey(KeyName);
}
```

Static Methods (DeleteAll)

- ❖ **DeleteAll** is a method used to remove or delete all keys and their associated values from the preferences.

```
public void DeleteKey(string KeyName)
{
    PlayerPrefs.DeleteKey(KeyName);
}
```


Key points

- ❖ PlayerPrefs is a method used to locally store values, with 'Set' allowing for assigning values, 'Get' enabling retrieval of values, 'DeleteKey' removing a specific key and its associated value, and 'DeleteAll' removing all data stored in the preferences.