

Virtualizing Tree View

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Introduction

Virtualizing TreeView is a Unity UI control that can be used to represent hierarchical data. Virtualizing TreeView implements drag & drop, databinding, selection events and are highly customizable. There are also two base classes **VirtualizingItemsControl** and **VirtualizingItemContainer** which can be used to implement your own items control. Main advantage of **VirtualizingTreeView** over [TreeView](#) is **support for large (1000+) collections of data items**

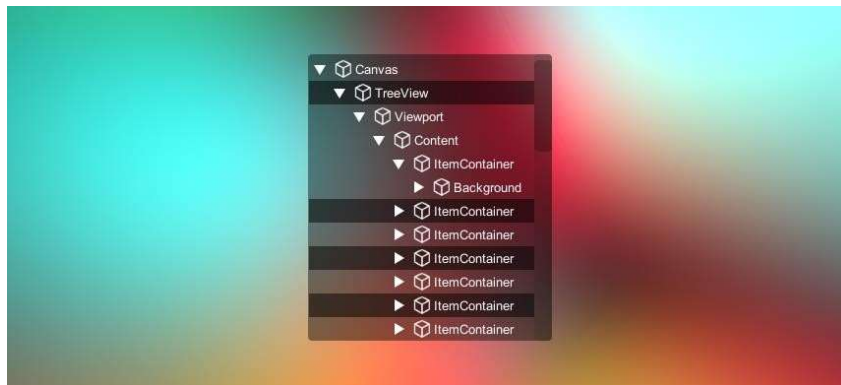


Fig.1 – Virtualizing Tree View Control

Features

- Data Binding,
- Drag & Drop;
- Multiselect & Range Selection
- Auto Scroll;
- Items Removal;
- Highly customizable;

Package Structure

Package organized as following:

- /Scripts/VirtualizingTreeView – implementation scripts
- /Prefabs for prefabs
- /Sprites tree view graphics
- /Demo contains everything related to demoscene

TreeViewDemo

Located in Assets/Battlehub/UIControls/Demo/Scripts/

Minimal setup to get TreeView working:

- 1) Create data item

```
public class MyCustomData
{
    public string name;
    public int childCount;
}
```

- 2) Subscribe to events in Start method

```
private void Start()
{
    ...
    //subscribe to events
    TreeView.ItemDataBinding += OnItemDataBinding;
    ...
}
```

- 3) Unsubscribe OnDestroy

```
private void OnDestroy()
{
    ...
    //unsubscribe
    TreeView.ItemDataBinding -= OnItemDataBinding;
}
```

- 4) Implement ItemDataBinding event handler

```
private void OnItemDataBinding(object sender,
                               VirtualizingTreeViewItemDataBindingArgs e)
{
    MyCustomData dataItem = e.Item as MyCustomData;
    if (dataItem != null)
    {
        //Display dataItem.name using UI.Text
        Text text = e.ItemPresenter.GetComponentInChildren<Text>(true);
        text.text = dataItem.name;

        //And specify whether data item has children
        //(to display expander arrow if needed)
        e.HasChildren = dataItem.childCount > 0;
    }
}
```

- 4) Set Items property

```
List<MyCustomData> dataItems = ...
```

```
//Bind data items
TreeView.Items = dataItems;
```

Virtualizing ScrollRect

Located in Assets/Battlehub/UIControlsVirtualizingTreeView/Scripts/

This class re-use 'ui containers' to effectively represent large data item collections. UI containers created for small visible portion of data items.

```
public class VirtualizingScrollRect : ScrollRect
```

Events:

```
//Raised when new portion of data is required  
public event DataBindAction ItemDataBinding;
```

Properties:

```
//Gets or sets list of data items.  
public IList Items { get; set; }  
  
//Get count of data items.  
public int ItemsCount{ get; }
```

Methods:

```
//Returns true if ScrollRect is parent of Transform  
public bool IsParentOf(Transform child);  
  
//Insert data item at position determided by index  
public void InsertItem(int index, object item, bool raiseDataBindingEvent = true)  
  
//Remove data items with given indices  
public void RemoveItems(int[] indices, bool raiseItemDataBindingEvent = true)  
  
//Get 'ui container' for data item  
public RectTransform GetContainer(object obj)  
  
//Get first visible 'ui container'  
public RectTransform FirstContainer()  
  
//Get last visible 'ui container'  
public RectTransform LastContainer()  
  
//Execute action for each visible 'ui container'  
public void ForEachContainer(System.Action<RectTransform> action)
```

VirtualizingItemsControl

Located in Assets/Battlehub/UIControlsVirtualizingTreeView/Scripts/

This class implements drag&drop and selection functionality. It also serve as base class for items controls such as listbox and treeview.

```
public class VirtualizingItemsControl : MonoBehaviour,
    IPointerDownHandler, IDropHandler
```

Events:

```
//Raised on begin drag
public event EventHandler<ItemArgs> ItemBeginDrag;

//Raised on before drop
public event EventHandler<ItemDropCancelArgs> ItemBeginDrop;

//Raised on after drop
public event EventHandler<ItemDropArgs> ItemDrop;

//Raised when drag & drop operation completed
public event EventHandler<ItemArgs> ItemEndDrag;

//Raised when data items selected or unselected
public event EventHandler<SelectionChangedEventArgs> SelectionChanged;

//Raised on data item double click
public event EventHandler<ItemArgs> ItemDoubleClick;

//Raised before data items removed
public event EventHandler<ItemsCancelArgs> ItemsRemoving;

//Raised after data items removed
public event EventHandler<ItemsRemovedArgs> ItemsRemoved;
```

Public Fields:

```
//Key codes
public KeyCode MultiselectKey = KeyCode.LeftControl;
public KeyCode RangeselectKey = KeyCode.LeftShift;
public KeyCode SelectAllKey = KeyCode.A;
public KeyCode RemoveKey = KeyCode.Delete;

//Behaviour settings
public bool SelectOnPointerUp = false;
public bool CanUnselectAll = true;
public bool CanEdit = true;
public bool CanDrag = true;
public bool CanReorder = true;

//UI settings
public bool ExpandChildrenWidth = true;
public bool ExpandChildrenHeight;
public float ScrollSpeed = 100;
```

Properties:

```
//Get current active drop target
public object DropTarget { get; }

//Get current drop action. None, SetLastChild, SetPrevSibling, SetNextSibling
public ItemDropAction DropAction { get; }

//Get selected data items count
public int SelectedItemCount { get; }

//Get or set selected data items
public virtual IEnumerable SelectedItems { get; set; }

//Get or set selected data item
public object SelectedItem { get; set; }

//Get or set selected data item
public int SelectedIndex { get; set; }

//Get or set data items
public IEnumerable Items { get; set; }
```

Methods:

```
//Get index of data item
public int IndexOf(object obj)

//Get index of data item
public virtual void SetIndex(object obj, int newIndex)

//Get last item container data
public ItemContainerData LastItemContainerData()

//Get visible item container for data item
public VirtualizingItemContainer GetItemContainer(object item)

//Get item container data for data item
public ItemContainerData GetItemContainerData(object item)

//Get item container data with siblingIndex
public ItemContainerData GetItemContainerData(int siblingIndex)

//Methods for external item drag and drop operation
public void ExternalBeginDrag(Vector3 position)
public void ExternalItemDrag(Vector3 position)
public void ExternalItemDrop()

//Remove selected items
public void RemoveSelectedItems()

//Add data item to the end
public ItemContainerData Add(object item)

//Insert data item at index
(if you insert more than one item consider using Items property)
public virtual ItemContainerData Insert(int index, object item)

//Move data item
public void SetNextSibling(object sibling, object nextSibling)
public void SetPrevSibling(object sibling, object prevSibling)

//Remove data item
public virtual void Remove(object item)

//Get data item at index
public object GetItemAt(int index)
```

VirtualizingTreeViewDropMarker.

Located in Assets/Battlehub/UIControls/Scripts/ VirtualizingTreeView

Item Drop Marker is used to highlight item drop location.

ItemDropMarker could be in one of the states specified by ItemDropAction enum.

```
public enum ItemDropAction
{
    None,
    SetLastChild,
    SetPrevSibling,
    SetNextSibling
}
```

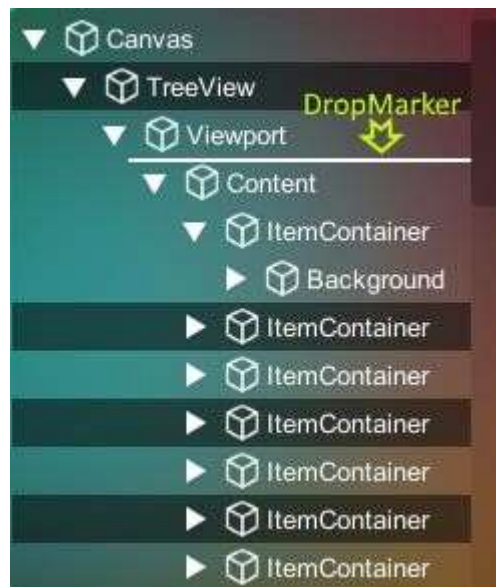


Fig.11 ItemDropMarker

VirtualizingTreeView

Located in Assets/Battlehub/UIControls/VirtualizingTreeView/

Assets/Battlehub/UIControls/Prefabs/VirtualizingTreeView.prefab

TreeView supports multiselection, drag & drop and delete item's operation

```
public class VirtualizingTreeView :  
VirtualizingItemsControl<VirtualizingTreeViewItemDataBindingArgs>
```

Events:

```
//Raised when item expanding and children data is required to be supplied  
public event EventHandler<VirtualizingItemExpandingArgs> ItemExpanding;
```

Methods:

```
//Add child data item  
public void AddChild(object parent, object item);  
  
//Remove child data item. (isLastChild should be set to true for last child)  
public void RemoveChild(object parent, object item, bool isLastChild)  
  
//Change parent of data item  
public void ChangeParent(object parent, object item)  
  
//Returns true if data item is expanded  
public bool IsExpanded(object item)  
  
//Expand data item  
public void Expand(object item)  
  
//Collapse data item  
public void Collapse(object item)
```


VirtualizingTreeViewItem

Located in Assets/Battlehub/UIControls/VirtualizingTreeView/

Assets/Battlehub/UIControls/Prefabs/VirtualizingTreeViewItem.prefab

```
public class VirtualizingTreeViewItem : VirtualizingItemContainer
```

Properties:

```
//Get TreeView item indent  
public float Indent { get; }
```

```
//Get or set data item  
public override object Item { get; set; }
```

```
//Get or set tree view item data (state of ui container)  
public TreeViewItemContainerData TreeViewItemData { get; set; }
```

```
//Get or set tree view item parent data (state of parent ui container)  
public TreeViewItemContainerData Parent { get; set; }
```

```
//Gets or sets whether item can be expanded (this property is driven by tree view.  
If you set this property you might not get desired results)  
public bool CanExpand { get; set; }
```

```
//Expand or collapse TreeViewItem  
public bool IsExpanded { get; set; }
```

```
//Returns true if TreeViewItem has children  
public bool HasChildren { get; }
```

Methods:

```
//Get first child of TreeViewItem  
public TreeViewItemContainerData FirstChild();
```

```
//Get next child  
public TreeViewItemContainerData NextChild(TreeViewItemContainerData currentChild);
```

```
//Get last child  
public TreeViewItemContainerData LastChild();
```

```
//Get last descendant  
public TreeViewItemContainerData LastDescendant()
```

Limitations and Issues

- Has problems with horizontal scrollbar (Auto Hide And Expand visibility is not currently supported)

Support

If you have any questions, suggestions, you want to talk or you have some issues please send mail to Vadim.Andriyanov@outlook.com or Battlehub@outlook.com.