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They said, "Exalted are You; we have no knowledge except what You have taught us. Indeed, it is You who is the Knowing, the Wise".

# Tafheem-ul-Quran by Syed Abu-al-A'la Maududi

(2:32)They replied, "Glory be to You. You alone are free from defect. We possess only that much knowledge which You have given us 43\* .Indeed You alone are All-Knowing and All-Wise".

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# Summery

**Vision Visual Scripting (VVS)** forms a new vision in the field of programing as it's design targets improving programing workflow through multiple essential components, dampening the learning curve, reducing efforts, limiting time delays and enabling the programmer to interact with any programming language without needing to have previous deep knowlage of it.

Visual programming generally depends on the formation of a logic for a program by using digital graphics, which in turn replaces the written method of coding and enables developers to extract a book code based on the logic that was written using graphic code.

Through having VVS apply the rules and following the syntax of each different programing language, repeated process of writing and adjusting code syntax could be automated which in return reduces chances of human error. Respectivly VVS would be the only software that has this feature which would enable the programmer to selected the desired syntax and generate decent code for it without needing to have previous knowlage about it, instead of relativly running the code in a single language in comparison to other softwares.

VVS targets most programmers starting from beginners and to professionals, where the nature of the programme system allows for its use as an advanced programming tool or a professional development tool. The VVS development methodology depends on being open source, which enables users to contribute to the development of the program system, which in turn enhances the dependence of the use of the program.

#### To our beloved...

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# **Chapter one**

# Challenges and methodology for research and development

#### 1 Visual programming in general

Learning in software languages requires mastery, investment of time and effort, and keeping up with their developments forms challenges and difficulties in learning those languages. It is certainly essential to use programming languages to build programmes. Many learners find that programming is a skill that is difficult to learn and gain experience in that there are different challenges and difficulties. Vision Visual Scripting (VVS) studies targeting and analysing these challenges, to propose and create an effective, effective and impactive solution that can be widely applied with most of the coding languages.

Several studies have shown that the communication and interaction between the program and the user based on graphics are more efficient in two essential processes of human processing information. Which are storing information and retrieving information. Visual programming enables the user to see the process steps through digital visual graphics, which makes it easier for any user to understand the direction, order and function of each operation and its relative to each others and with variables.

The core VVS mission is centered around enabling the user to form the desired code through visual programming and, then giving the user the ability to choose any programing language that the software supports, to then output written code represented by the visual code made by the user, which creates a flexible framework that has never been present in the programing.

# 2 Challenges of written programming

- it's relatively difficult for beginners to learn programing, due to having too many rules to follow.
- Beginners are distracted in choosing the coding languages for their similarity of functionality.
- Correction of code mistakes drains a lot of time and effort.
- It's difficult to adapt to the advancement of programming languages and the emergence of new programming languages.
- It's difficult to understand theoretical code in practical applications.
- Some programming languages have no sources of education for different cultures.
- It's difficult to move between the code lines and determine their functions in practice.
- The emergence of code errors when the user doesn't know the right way to write using the coding language.
- The need for constant thinking of the programming process causes mental exhaustion and reduces the programmer's productivity.
- Some programing languages don't support all operating systems.

# 3 Suggested solutions

- 1- Introducing and explaining the concepts of programming using drawings.
- **2-** introducing beginners to the concepts and principles of programming before they learn programming languages.
- **3-** Depending on softwares that are not based on a programming language in itself, but on the general basis of programming in a comprehensive manner.
- **4-** Improving the programming workflow so that it's easy to learn and use in a short time.
- **5-** Use graphics to represent code in terms of process sequences and variables, in simplified, flexible and rapidly adjustable form.
- **6-** separate the logical code from the actual code (syntax).

# **4 Software objectives**

- Simplify the programming process, provided that the efficiency of the proposed solution (using graphic code) is similar to the efficiency of the written code method.
- Make the code easy to read no matter the culture or language of the user, through enabling the user to change the UI language of the software.
- Dampening the programming learning curve by reducing effort, limiting time delays, reducing minor tweaks and fixing mistakes.
- Covering a large number of most commonly used programming languages and empowering users to convert code into any language they want.
- Developing a new instrument for programming without getting far from the foundations and principles of programming languages, and develop in the same direction.
- Enabling programmers to handle any programming language easily and effectively without having to study it in depth.

# **5 Software importance**

- Developing the field of programming for future generations by providing tools and instruments to improve the programming process and making it less time consuming and more dependent for users.
- Removing some basic barriers that pose challenges and difficulties, such as clarifying the practical concepts of software in virtual texts by visualizing them in digital graphics.
- Enable developers to use pre-made logical codes regardless of the targeted code.
- Uniting the general concepts of programming principles for new users and enable them to practice programming based on the logical functions of the code without having to learn one language deeply.
- Innovating the format of programming from routine writing to interactive graphics format which urges thinking of the code in a broader perspective and reduces the mental and visual stress of users.

# 6 The foundations and principles of development

VVS aims to find an appropriate solution that shortens and make manual programming challenges simpler and more reliable, aimed at shortening time and reducing efforts for users and giving them more space to focus on innovation and creativity instead of routine error fixing and repeating writing codes. VVS focuses on improving the programming Work Flow, with a view to dampening the learning curve for the users through utilizing graphics to improve communication and interaction between the program and the user, taking into account the different cultures and the mother language of the user but keeping in mind the progress made in the programming field, working with it, utilizing and building on it, and making sure to work in the overall direction of the programming field

# **Directional thinking**

With the differences between programming languages and the method of programming, we note in different languages that programming is limited to two essential elements, namely, operations and variables. This was not just a coincidence, but different languages were designed to take into account fixed foundations in all the programming languages that worked at the same level, which what the directional thinking is in the programing field, which VVS is taking into consideration. The objective of the software is to build a comprehensive software instrument that can utilize and build on what has been developed from programing principles, while maintaining the efficiency, harmonization and functionality of previously written coding methods and not creating a replacement solution for the previously written code method

#### **7 Similar Software**

#### 7.1 Unreal Engine Blueprint System

Unreal Engine is an engine for building and developing 3D games based on Blueprint System visual programming to write code and then turn it into C++ to be processed and implemented. Blueprint System is a graphic language that doesn't contain codes in its visible code and it's classified as Object Oriented Programing, it enables users to build some logic by building a group of entities and linking them to each other to implement a set of common instructions.

#### 7.2 3Ds Max Slate Material Editor

It's a graphic screen that gives the user a set of graphic entities that can be moved and linked to other entities by following a logic determined by the user. The product of execution of these entities is representation of material such as fabrics, metals or wood used with a 3D object to produce a realistic graphics image format.

#### 7.3 Blender Geometry & Material System

Blender is free and Open-source program that creates 3D objects. It was provided with the object-building system through the use of node editor after the success of its previously implemented materials-building node editor system for it's ease of use, and since blender is open-source this decision was made collectively between the Blender community of over 9,000 users and developed by the 2022 Discord statistics.

#### 8 Foundations of the VVS system

After analyzing and studying the above systems, it was necessary to identify and effective framework, after a research, comparisons and trade-offs between several possibilities it was decided this framework would best serve this project in the long and short run.

(Python - HTML - PyQt5 GUI library - PyCharm - GitHub - Trello - Diagrams.net)

During the research and study journey, an open-source software of a graphic system called Node Editor Made by Pavel Krupala is identified to the required specifications and it's written in the Python programming language, which was used to be a solid foundation for building, after updating the libraries used and the Python language to the latest version some errors appeared which had to be solved to be able to the development of VVS, after relentless search and a lot of trial and error, the team was able to work the errors and the journey began develop a prototype version of VVS.

### **Pavel Krupala:**

Pavel Krupala is a programmer and a youtuber who built the (open source Node Editor), who documented its construction in a free training course on the YouTube platform and then shared it on GitLab platform as an open source project with the details necessary to understand the program as a whole.

At the end of this course, Pavel wrote and explained a sample calculator program that can perform basic calculations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) using his program to show the possibilities of developing with it.

# **Chapter two**

# **Analysis of VVS software requirements**

#### 1 Functional requirements

#### • Identifying the programing language

The software development had to use flexible, easy-to-write, high-performance programing language that supports graphical user interface Libraries and, takes into consideration the direction of going open-source, Python was chosen as the primary language with some other languages such as HTML.

#### Supporting the visual programming system

The software is based on the principle of programming with digital graphical representations and this type of programming does not depend on learning programming languages at all but on understanding the logical relationships of a function to produce a working programme, which requires the software to deal with a flexible graphical interface that illustrates the logic and order and flow of operation in the software.

# • Providing code generation feature

Establishing a sub-system that manages the process of generating text codes from graphical codes created by the users automatically of the software language that the user may choose at any stage during the programming process.

# • ability of saving and loading files

Implementing saving graphical codes and loading them using the default OS file system enabling the ability to share them.

#### support for built-in libraries

Depending on the fact that the software is open-source, basic functions must be supported in the default libraries of VVS, in addition to enabling users to create their own graphical codes libraries and share them.

# 2 Non-functional requirements

#### The ability to link the system of VVS to other systems

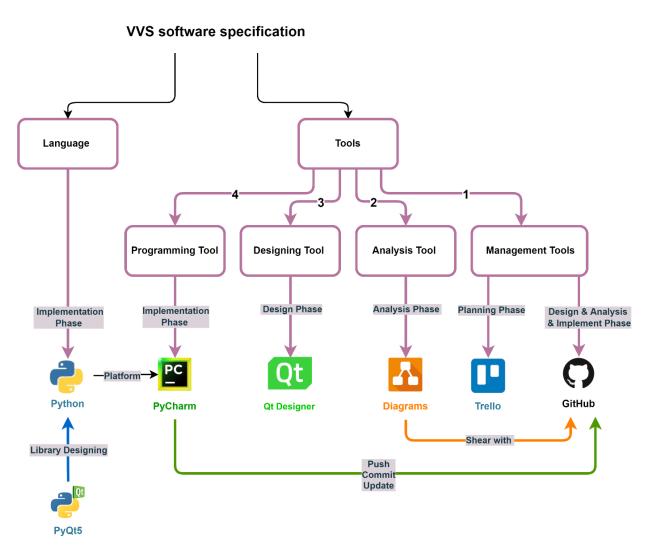
According to the VVSs development principles and methodologies, it must be flexible enough to work in harmony with previous and modern programming tools and software.

#### Supporting the most used operating systems

In the prototype version of VVS, it supports only Windows OS, but the software development plan seeks to support Mac OS, Linux.

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#### **3 VVS Framework**



shape1 - VVS Development framework

#### Trello

Trello is used in the management development process in terms of organizing tasks, monitoring the workflow, tasks accomplished, record and plan for necessary adjustments and future plans.

#### **GitHub**

GitHub is used to share and update all of the code through PyCharm and software charts and schemas from the Diagrams.net platform.

#### **Python**

Python has been chosen for its wide spread and use in many fields and the availability of powerful graphic user interface libraries like PyQt5, and for easy handling and continuous updates of the language.

#### **PyQt5 Library**

A flexible and famous graphical user interface library that exists in several other programing languages, known in the software development field as the most common and comprehensive GUI library, and also has an official documentation site with all the functions and uses of the library and it's regularly updated.

# **PyCharm**

PyCharm is a free integrated development environment used in programming with several languages including Python, which helps with code analysis, detecting code errors, and could be used as a compact modular testing tool.

#### 4 The interface and the users

#### 4.1 Users

The user interacts with the system through a flexible graphical interface that enables it to adjust and utilize the software characteristics to take out a graphical code that can be directly operated or used outside the software.

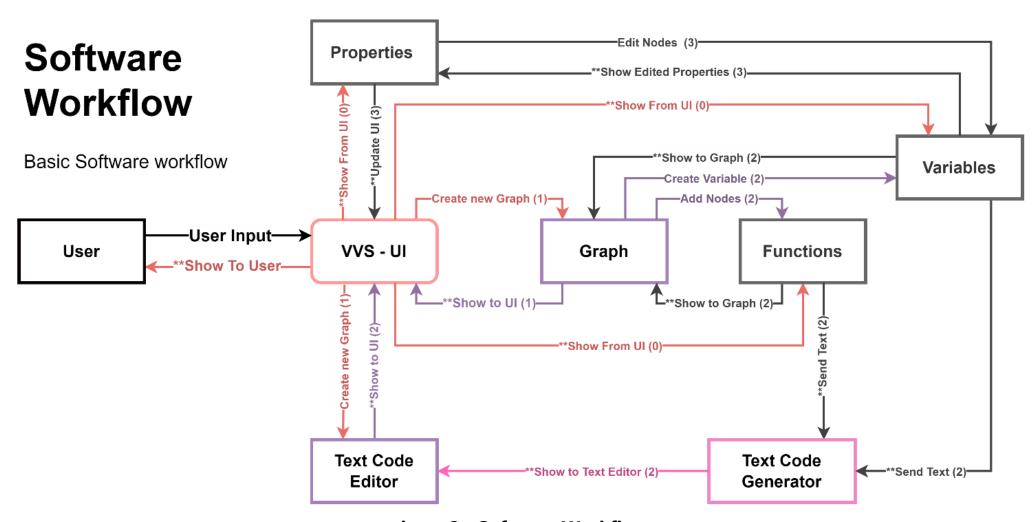
#### 4.2 VVS's interface

It's the interface which the users interact through to enable them to practice visual programming and adjust graphical code.

- **Text Editor**: A window that shows the generated text code from the graphical codes, and through it the graphical code can be converted into text code format with the programing language that the users select.
- Node Editor: The user can create and modify graphical entities and their interrelationship with the text code window to then do code generation.
- Functions list: A list of graphic codes each containing a specific text code has a constant core function among the different programming languages.
- Variables List: Enables the user to create variables of different types and use them in the process of building logical graphical codes.
- **Properties List**: Enables users to control the settings or properties of all interactive graphical entities in the software.

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#### **5 Software Workflow**



**shape 2 - Software Workflow** 

- **1-** Automatic processes happen first (when the program starts)
- 2- Three lists appear on the graphic interface
  - Functions List
  - User Variables and User Functions Window
  - Properties window
- 3- Creating New Graph from the File menu shows on the interface
  - Graph
  - Text Code Editor
  - User Variables and User Functions List
- **4-** The Graph is ready to receive Nodes that including
  - Functions
  - User Variables
  - User Functions

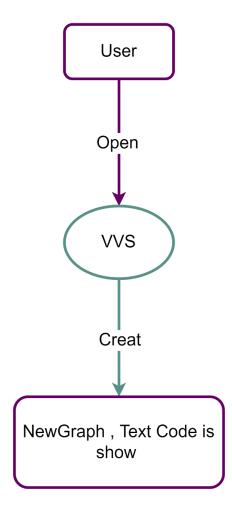
By doing Drag and Drop, it shows on the Graph window followed by the code generation operation automatically and the text code shows in the Text Code window

**5-** User Variables and User Functions can be adjusted through the Properties Window.

# **6 Data flow Diagram**

# **6.1 Context Level Diagram**

DFD Context Diagram



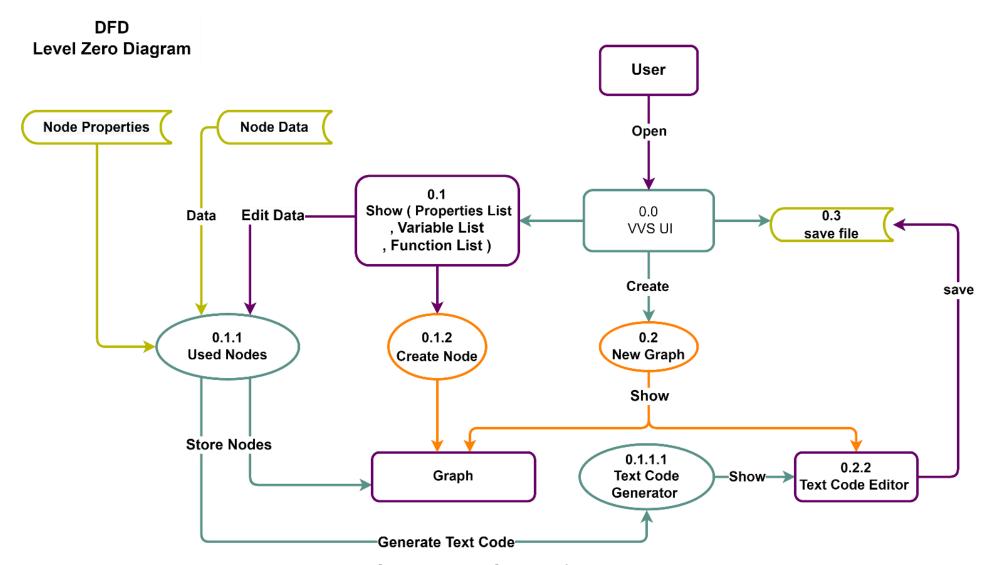
shape 3 - Context Level Diagram

#### **Processes of context level:**

- **1-** The user opens the software.
- **2-** Creating a new graphical interface.
- **3-** Graph shows up and the Text Code Editor window appears automatically.

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# **6.2 Level Zero Diagram**



shape 4 - Level Zero Diagram

The flow of operations is described at zero level and the Data Stored showed for each node addition, adjustment and saving

- **1-** The user opens the software then the three lists of Functions, Variables, Properties are shown.
- 2- The user creates a new graph.
- **3-** The Graph window appears then the Text Code window.
- 4- Nodes can be dragged and dropped and adjusted from the Properties window.
- **5-** The script code appears in the Text Code Editor window, so the user can save the script in a File and copy the code to use it.

# **Chapter Three**

# **VVS Design**

One of the most important systems in VVS is the system of creating codes in digital graphics, and this part is represented in a system known as Node Editor in the GUI development field, which includes key elements common to all visual programming software.

- Connections: connections that ties in to each other to create logical relations that determine the order of each entity's function in relation to other entities.
- Nodes: Digital graphic representation that store a set of written codes that are connected using graphic connections within the graph to create an ordered logical processes.
- **Graphs**: An empty space for the presence and manipulation of entities and its relations, it represents Code Text Editors but in graphic format.
- **Node Editor**: It represents the control panel that enables the user to create and modify graphical entities and their relations .

To build the Node Editor system, a number of systems developed in other software have been studied and used which have proven node editors to be effective, these programs rule the field with their technologies, such as:

• Unreal Engine: Blueprint System

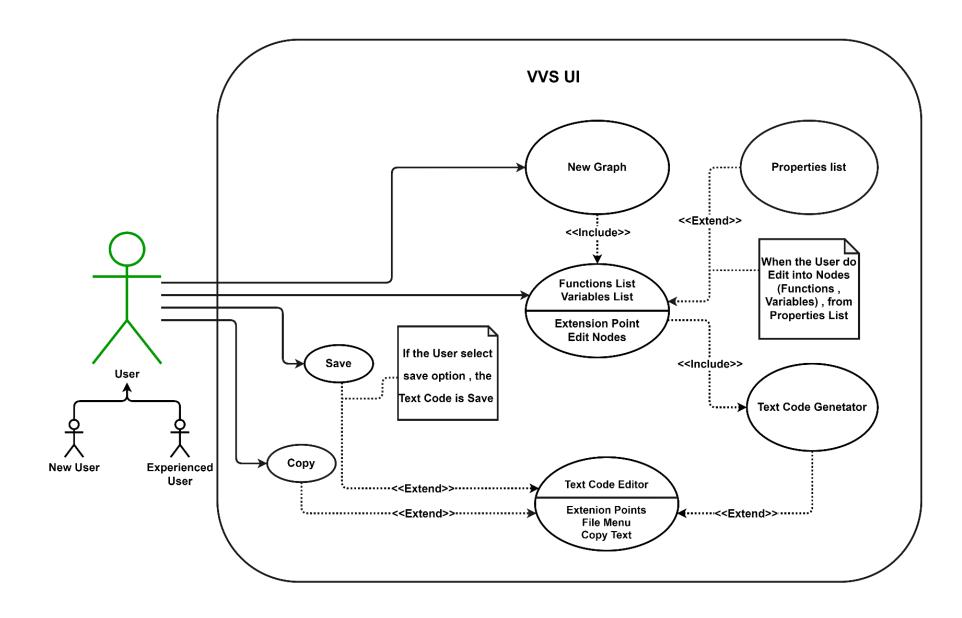
• 3Ds Max: Slate Material Editor

• Blender: Geometry & Material System

#### 1 Users and use cases

- **1.1 Users**: users are key elements that interact with VVS, they don't require to have programming experience, they can be in junior level and still easily interact with VVS systems.
- **1.2 Software interface**: The lists and output of user interactions are shown through it, it includes the following
  - **Lists**: It is a set of orders divided into several lists to provide the user with the possibilities of adjusting and adding graphical entities.
  - **Operations Output**: It represents the end product of the functions and orders that the program processes to then be used with other software.

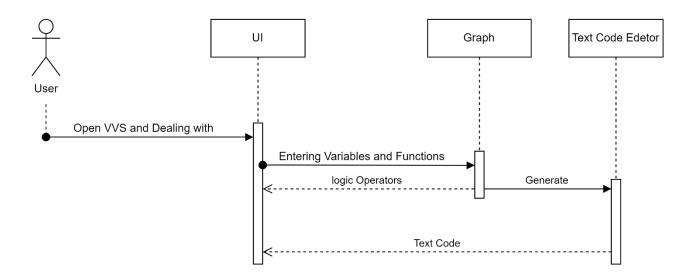
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shape 5 - Use Case Diagram

# 2 Operations Sequence Diagram

- 1- The user opens the software and shows this process on the program's UI.
- **2-** Through the user interface, New Graph is created and Functions Variables are used within the Graph.
- **3-** A logical transformation of graphical operations occurs to generate a text code that appears in the Text Code Editor, which is reflected to the user through information from the software interface.

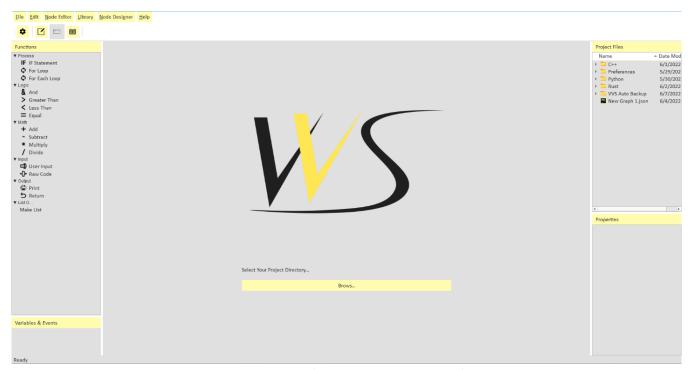


**shape 6 - Operations Sequence Diagram** 

# 3 Design and construction of the User interface

In the next example, an application that shows how the prototype version works and its effectiveness, an illustrative example of how to design a simple program that prints out a message that indicates whether a person is young or old, we create a variable, and enter a value for a person's age if Ahmed is younger than 50, the script prints the word Young, otherwise it prints out Old.

**1-** This is software interface that the user interacts with, when the user first starts the software:



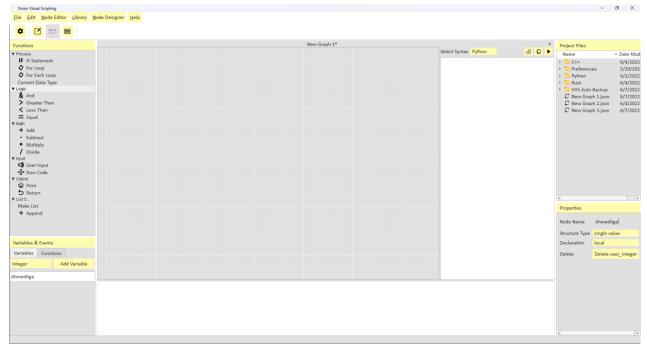
shape 7 - Software User Interface

**2-** The user creates a New Graph through the File menu or opens a Graph that was already saved:



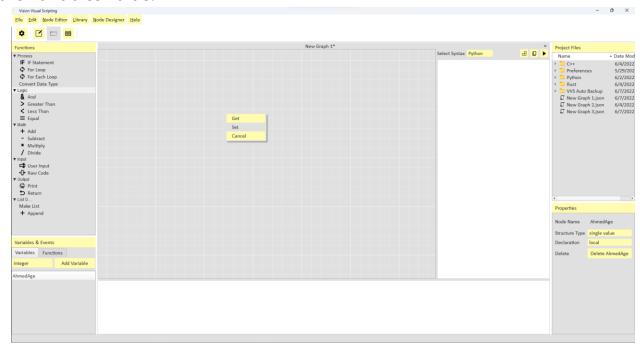
shape 8 - Creating a new graph

**3-** Adding integer to the file by pressing the Add Variables button, and then renaming it from the Properties panel:



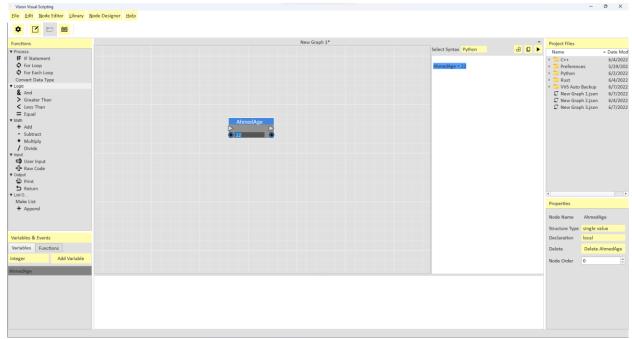
shape 9 - Creating a variable and renaming it

**4-** After the variable is renamed to Ahmed\_age, it is inserted into the Graph by dragging it and calling Set from the menu that appears, which is the process setting the variables value:



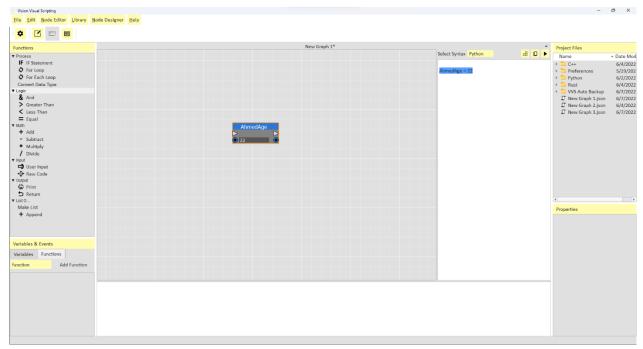
shape 10 - Setting Variable Value

**5-** Entering a new value to the variable, it then automatically appears in the text code in the Text Code:

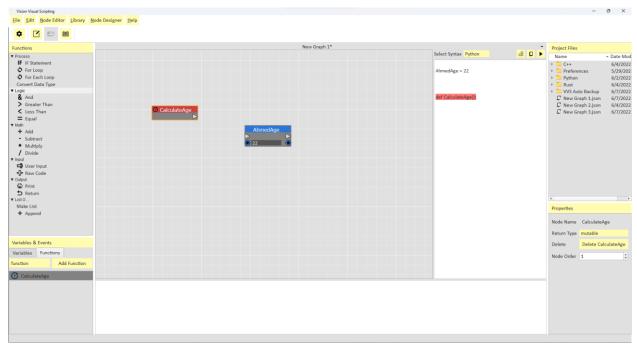


shape 11 - Entering a new value for the variable

**6-** Creating a new User Function and renamed it:



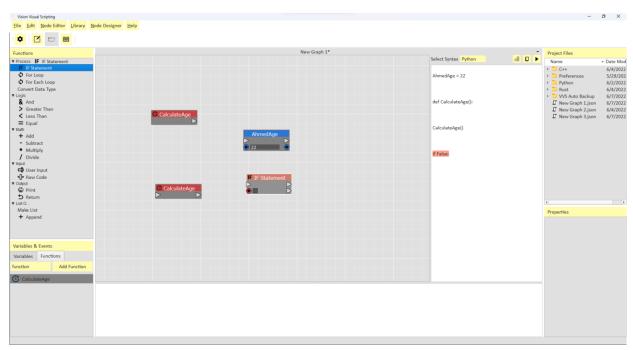
shape 12 - Creating a enw user function



shape 13 - Renaming the user function

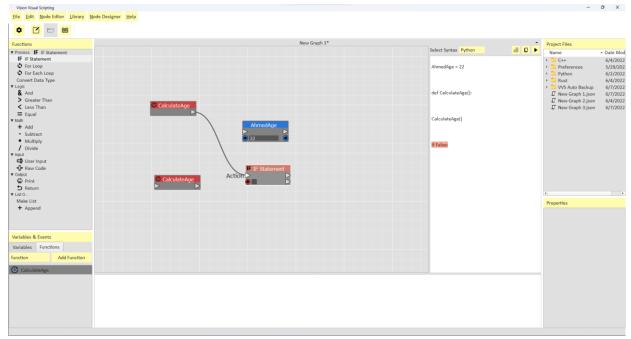
**7-** Doing Drag and Drop and selecting the Write order to later use it to contain logical code.

**8-** Calling a Function, which is the logical IF Statement:



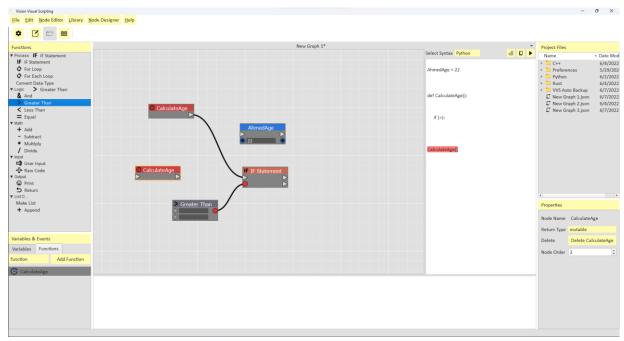
shape 14 - Calling an IF Statement operation

**9-** The IF Statement operation is connected to Calculate:



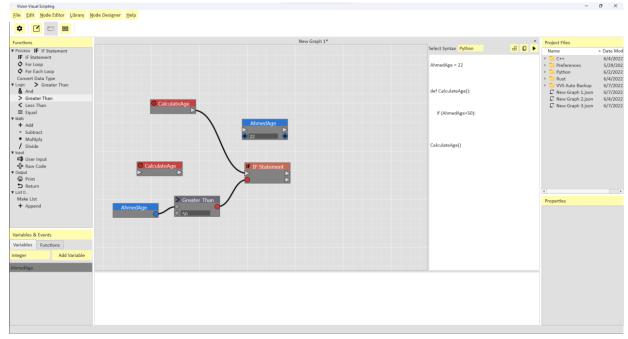
shape 15 - Establishing a relationship between graphical entities

- **10-** Using a Larger Than node, through dragging & dropping it to the Graph from the Function list.
- **11-** Connecting Larger Than Operation to the IF Statement:



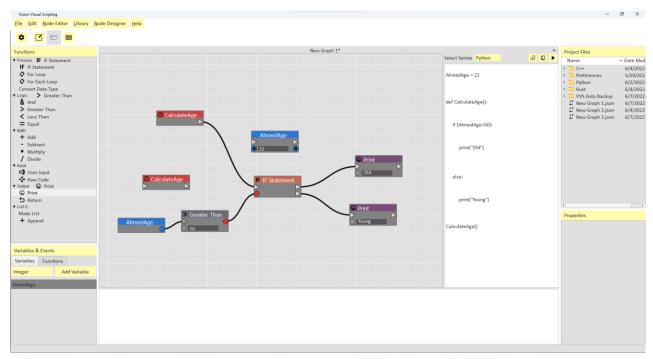
shape 16 - Using a Bigger Than Operation

**12-** Calling the variable Ahmed\_age using the Get menu selection and connecting it to the Greater node:



shape 17 - Calling variable value

**13-** We introduce two Print nodes to print out two messages, then connect each of them to the logical output of IF Statement node:

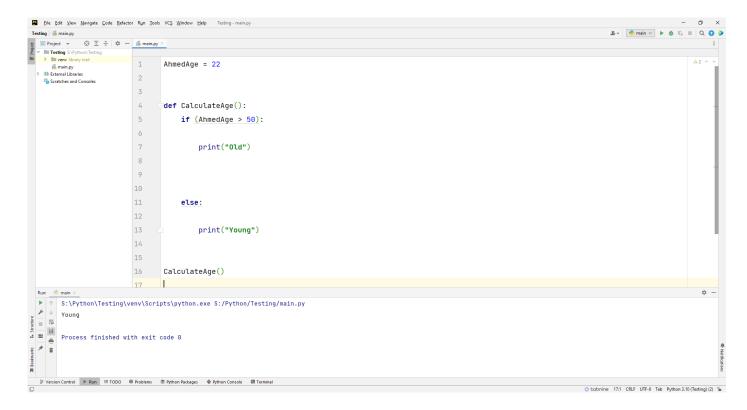


shape 18 - Useing the printing node

#### **14-** We note that:

- For every entry of Variables & Functions, the software translates all of the Nodes into Text Code in the Text Code window in real time.
- After connecting Variables & Functions Nodes to each other and building Logical Code, the output is a text code script that can be used in any other software.

**15-** After the final code is copied to PyCharm and running it Run, the output print was "Young".



shape 19 - Runnig the generated code

**16-** We note that the workflow of the software didn't get modified by the user after it was exported to PyCharm, which is one of the most important objectives of the experimental version.

# **Chapter Four**

# **Development and maintenance**

- As it was clarified that the nature of VVS development depends on the original developers and software supporters through making it open source, it is necessary to follow the official GitHub page, review, accept and ensure that the commits pushed are reliant efficient.
- The official website of the program must be maintained up and updated to the latest stable version of the software.
- Following the base principles for maintaining software and developing according to future changes and variables in the programing field.
  - Corrective maintenance
  - Adaptive maintenance
  - Perfective maintenance
  - Preventive maintenance

## **Conclusions**

- Software development is a difficult field to learn and requires a lot of time and effort to produce a professional program in a short time, but there are other ways and solutions that can comprehensively improve the software field with a wide scope of evolution.
- Visual programming is an instrument to produce code and its not a programming language itself.
- The existence of multiple programing languages has led the programmers to focus on finding solutions to problems that exist in these languages, not focus on developing in the principles and foundations of programming itself, which has led to thinking of new ways to approach programing, which is programming using graphics.
- Clarifying the unity in the principles and foundations of programming languages shows its easy to learn software development, resulting in user investment time in learning logic instead of programing language syntax which in turn leaves wide space for innovation and creativity in the programmer's time.
- Graphics and visuals have the ability to simplify most forms of information and its usage forms an intuitive understanding quick to recall and practice.
- The way every syntax is written can be completely dispensed with, but the software logic of processes and variables cannot be dispensed with.
- Tackling the basis and nature of something to improve its productivity can dramatically affect it in the short and long term

## Recommendations

- The roadmap of the software includes many important technical features that will have a radical impact on the efficiency, effectiveness and scope of VVS usage, the most important of which are:
  - Empowering the users to change the interface language of their mother language.
  - Enable the user to change the direction of the code to be compatible with the language used for the interface.
  - Developing the software to enable it to Run the code for all supported programming languages.
  - Developing the library system to enable sharing graphical logical codes among users online.
- Developers are allowed to participate in adding their ideas of new features by making the software development open-source and accessible to all Open Source.
- The programme development plan must include covering all most used programming languages.
- Enable the user to create and share graphical logical codes(nodes) and libraries within the program using the Node Designer feature to make the software more flexible, more usable, excel and improve the development process.
- periodical maintenance must fundamentally touch upon the development of the software's graphical interface aiming to make it User Friendly and not stacked with information. (Using only the methodology of information only shown when only needed).
- Availability of a community platform to receive comments, questions and responses, to increase user turnout and to effectively target and improve the development of VVS.

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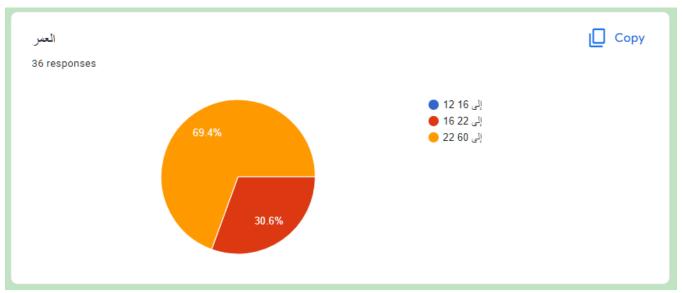
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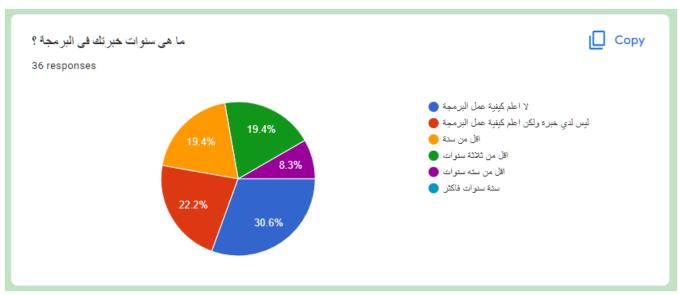
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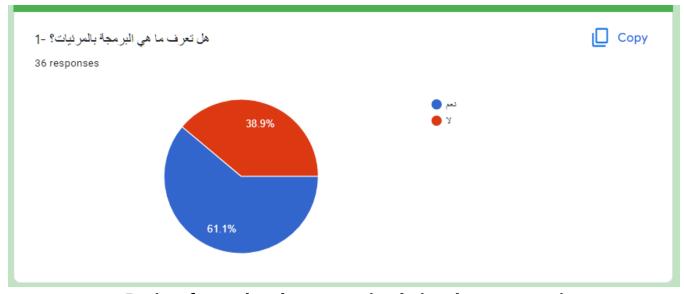
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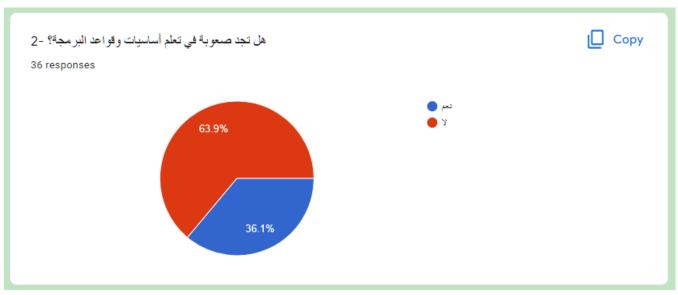
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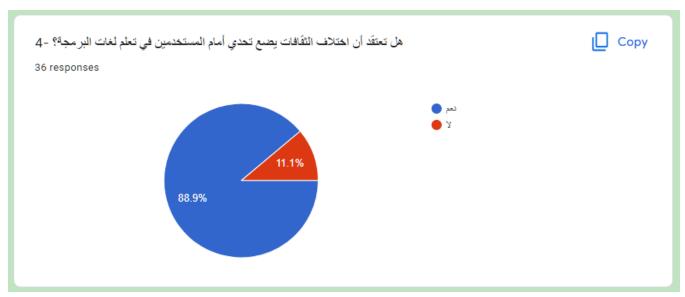
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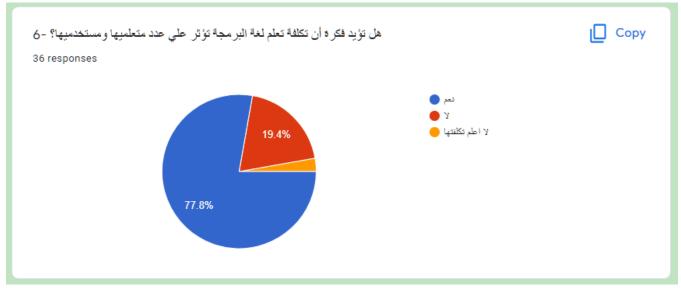
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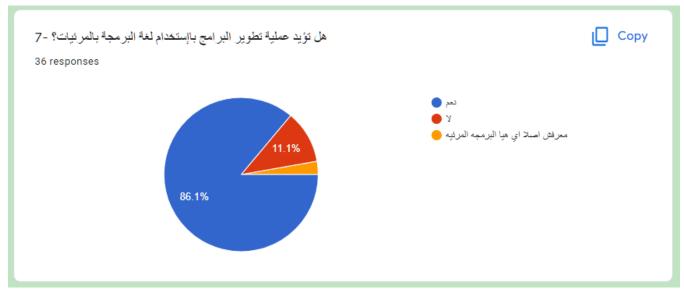
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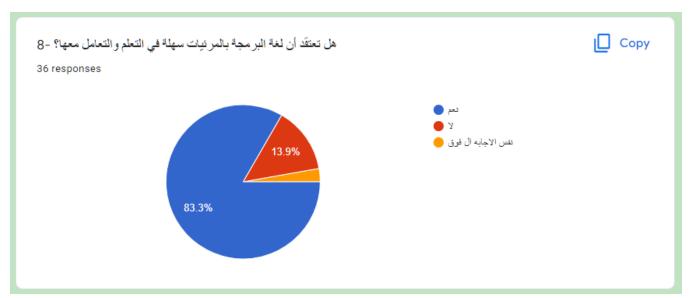
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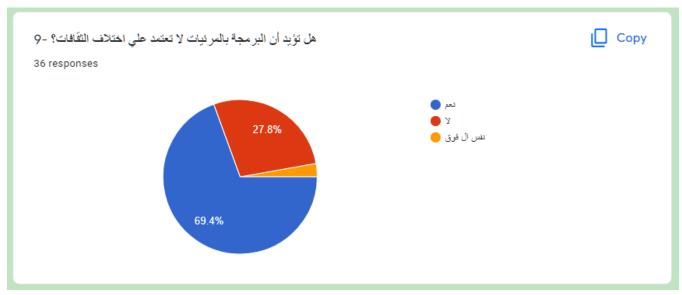
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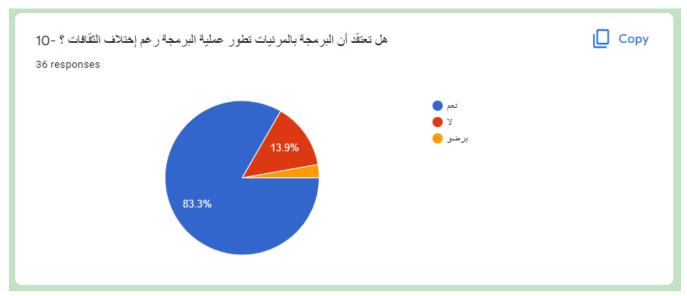
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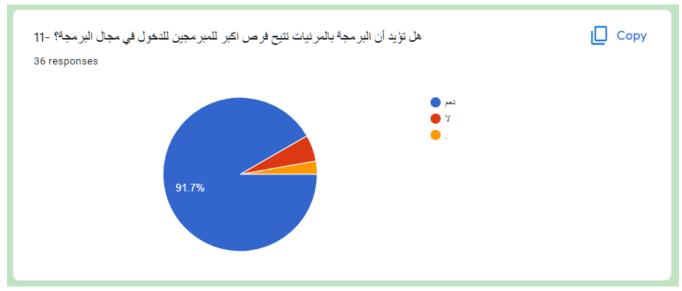
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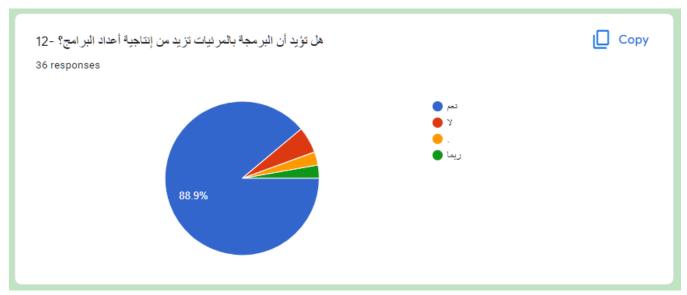
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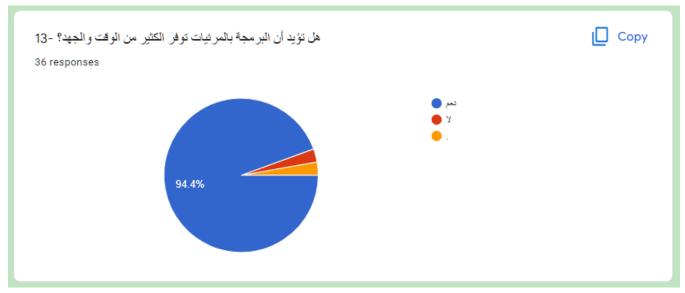
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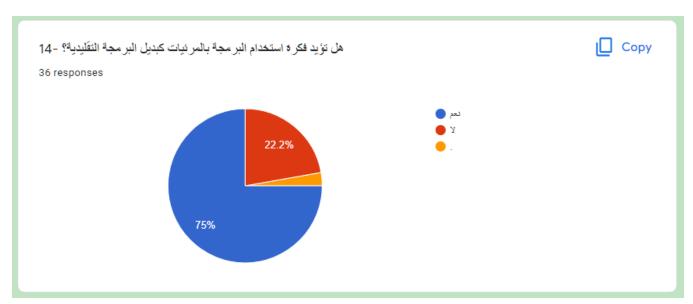
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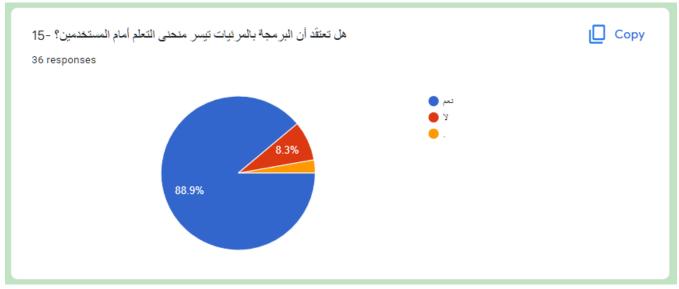
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Ratio of how much visual programing saves time and effort



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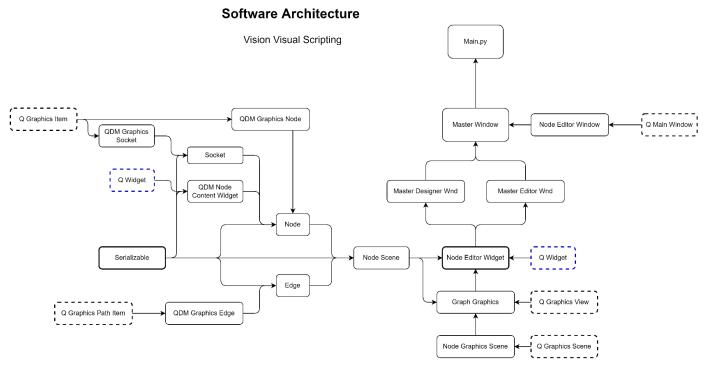


Ratio of proponents that visual programming dampens the learning curve



Ratio of reponders thinkink that visual programming needs less absorptive capacity

#### **Software Architecture**



### **Codes**

## Main.py

```
import ctypes
import os
import sys
from PyQt5.QtCore import *
from PyQt5.QtGui import *
from PyQt5.QtWidgets import *
from qtpy.QtWidgets import QApplication
from vvs app.master window import MasterWindow, Splash
sys.path.insert(0, os.path.join(os.path.dirname( file ), "", ".."))
if name == ' main ':
    app = QApplication(sys.argv)
    app.setStyle('Fusion')
    app.setWindowIcon(QIcon("icons/Dark/VVS Logo Thick.png"))
    # Show app Icon In Task Manager
    myappid = 'mycompany.myproduct.subproduct.version'
ctypes.windll.shell32.SetCurrentProcessExplicitAppUserModelID(myappid)
    splash = Splash()
    wnd = MasterWindow()
    splash.run(wnd)
    sys.exit(app.exec ())
```

#### **MasterWindow**

```
import os
import subprocess
import sys
from qtpy.QtGui import *
from qtpy.QtWidgets import *
from qtpy.QtCore import *
from nodeeditor.utils import loadStylesheets
from nodeeditor.node editor window import NodeEditorWindow
from vvs_app.editor_settings_wnd import SettingsWidget
from vvs app.master editor wnd import NodeEditorTab
from vvs app.master designer wnd import MasterDesignerWnd
from vvs app.editor node list import NodeList
from vvs app.editor files wdg import FilesWDG
from vvs app.editor user nodes list import UserNodesList
from vvs_app.editor_properties_list import PropertiesList
from vvs app.global switches import *
from nodeeditor.utils import dumpException
# from vvs app.nodes configuration import FUNCTIONS
# Enabling edge validators
from nodeeditor.node edge import Edge
from nodeeditor.node edge validators import (
    edge cannot connect two outputs or two inputs,
    edge cannot connect input and output of same node
)
# Edge.registerEdgeValidator(edge validator debug)
from vvs app.master node import MasterNode
from vvs app.nodes.nodes configuration import register Node
Edge.registerEdgeValidator(edge cannot connect two outputs or two inputs
Edge.registerEdgeValidator(edge cannot connect input and output of same
node)
# images for the dark skin
DEBUG = False
class Splash(QWidget):
    def init (self):
        super(). init__()
        self.setStyleSheet("background-color: transparent")
        self.setAttribute(Qt.WA TranslucentBackground, on=True)
        self.setWindowFlag(Qt.FramelessWindowHint)
        lo = QVBoxLayout()
        self.setLayout(lo)
```

```
Logo = QLabel()
        pixmap = QPixmap("icons/Dark/VVS White2.png")
        Logo.setPixmap(pixmap)
        lo.addWidget(Logo)
        self.Loading Label = QLabel("Loading")
        self.Loading Label.setStyleSheet("font: 20px; color: white") #
font-family: Calibri;
        lo.addWidget(self.Loading Label)
        self.timer = QTimer()
    def mousePressEvent(self, event):
        self.oldPosition = event.globalPos()
    def mouseMoveEvent(self, event):
        delta = QPoint(event.globalPos() - self.oldPosition)
        self.move(self.x() + delta.x(), self.y() + delta.y())
        self.oldPosition = event.globalPos()
    def run(self, Main):
        self.show()
        self.timer.start(300)
        self.times = 0
        self.timer.timeout.connect(lambda: self.run timeout(Main))
    def run timeout(self, Main):
        if self.times >= 3:
            Main.showMaximized()
            self.close()
            self.timer.stop()
        else:
            self.times += 1
            self.Loading_Label.setText(self.Loading Label.text() + " .")
class MasterWindow(NodeEditorWindow):
    def init (self):
        super().__init__()
        self.initUI()
    def initUI(self):
        # self.qss theme = "qss/nodeeditor-light.qss"
        self.qss theme =
self.global switches.themes[self.global switches.switches Dict["Appearan
ce"]["Theme"][0]] # ["Theme"][0]
        self.stylesheet filename =
os.path.join(os.path.dirname( file ), self.qss theme)
        loadStylesheets(
            os.path.join(os.path.dirname( file ), self.qss theme),
self.stylesheet filename)
```

```
self.empty icon = QIcon(".")
        if DEBUG: print("Registered nodes:")
        self.stackedDisplay = QStackedWidget()
        self.graphs parent wdg = QMdiArea()
        self.CreateLibraryWnd()
        # Create Node Designer Window
        self.node designer = MasterDesignerWnd(self)
        self.stackedDisplay.addWidget(self.graphs parent wdg)
        self.stackedDisplay.addWidget(self.node designer)
self.graphs parent wdg.setHorizontalScrollBarPolicy(Qt.ScrollBarAsNeeded
)
self.graphs parent wdg.setVerticalScrollBarPolicy(Qt.ScrollBarAsNeeded)
        self.graphs parent wdg.setTabsClosable(True)
        self.graphs_parent_wdg.setTabsMovable(True)
self.graphs parent wdg.subWindowActivated.connect(self.active graph swit
ched)
        self.setCentralWidget(self.stackedDisplay)
        self.windowMapper = QSignalMapper(self)
self.windowMapper.mapped[QWidget].connect(self.setActiveSubWindow)
        # Create Welcome Screen and allow user to set the project
Directory
        self.create welcome screen()
        # Create Nodes List
        self.create functions dock()
        # Create Files Dock
        self.create files dock()
        # Create Details List Window
        self.create properties dock()
        # Create Variable List
        self.create user nodes dock()
        self.createActions()
        self.create menus()
        self.createStatusBar()
        self.update menus()
```

```
self.readSettings()
        self.CreateToolBar()
        self.setWindowTitle("Vision Visual Scripting")
        self.update libraries wnd()
        self.library menu.setEnabled(False)
        self.node designer menu.setEnabled(False)
        self.set actions shortcuts()
    def create welcome screen(self):
        Elayout = QVBoxLayout()
        Elayout.setAlignment(Qt.AlignCenter)
        Elayout.setSpacing(20)
        self.empty screen = QWidget()
        self.empty screen.setLayout(Elayout)
        user text = QLabel("Select Your Project Directory...")
        user text.setFont(QFont("Roboto", 14))
        w image =
QPixmap(f"icons/{self.global_switches.switches_Dict['Appearance']['Theme
'][0]}/VVS White1.png")
        welcome image = QLabel()
        welcome image.setPixmap(w image)
        welcome image.setScaledContents(True)
        self.brows btn = QPushButton("Brows..")
        Elayout.addWidget(welcome image)
        Elayout.addItem(QSpacerItem(120, 120))
        Elayout.addWidget(user text)
        Elayout.addWidget(self.brows btn)
        self.stackedDisplay.addWidget(self.empty screen)
        self.switch display(Welcome=True)
    def CreateOfflineDir(self):
        self.Offline Dir =
f"C:/Users/{os.getlogin()}/AppData/Roaming/VVS/Offline Library"
        if os.path.exists(self.Offline Dir):
            pass
        else:
            self.Offline Dir = os.makedirs(os.getenv('AppData') +
"/VVS/Offline Library")
self.library offline list.setRootIndex(self.Model.index(self.Offline Dir
))
    def CreateLibraryWnd(self):
```

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self.librariesDock = QDockWidget("Libraries")
        self.library subwnd = QTabWidget()
        self.librariesDock.setWidget(self.library subwnd)
self.librariesDock.setFeatures(self.librariesDock.DockWidgetMovable)
        self.addDockWidget(Qt.RightDockWidgetArea, self.librariesDock)
        offline Vlayout = QVBoxLayout()
        offline Vlayout.setContentsMargins(0, 0, 0, 0)
        self.Model = QFileSystemModel()
        self.Model.setRootPath("")
        self.library offline list = QTreeView()
self.library offline list.setSelectionMode(QAbstractItemView.ExtendedSel
ection)
        self.library_offline_list.setModel(self.Model)
        self.library offline list.setSortingEnabled(True)
        self.library offline list.setColumnWidth(0, 130)
        self.library offline list.sortByColumn(0, Qt.AscendingOrder)
        self.library offline list.hideColumn(1)
        self.library_offline_list.hideColumn(2)
        self.library offline list.setStyleSheet("color: white")
self.library offline list.setSizePolicy(QSizePolicy.MinimumExpanding,
QSizePolicy.MinimumExpanding)
        offline Vlayout.addWidget(self.library offline list)
        self.library online list = QListWidget()
        topVlayout = QVBoxLayout()
        search bar layout = QHBoxLayout()
        self.search line edit = QLineEdit()
        self.search btn = QPushButton()
        search bar layout.addWidget(self.search line edit)
        search bar layout.addWidget(self.search btn)
        self.search btn.setMaximumSize(30, 30)
        self.search btn.setIcon(QIcon("icons/Light/search.png"))
        self.search line edit.setMinimumHeight(30)
        topVlayout.addLayout(search bar layout)
        topVlayout.addWidget(self.library online list)
        online widget = QWidget()
        online widget.setLayout(topVlayout)
        offline widget = QWidget()
        offline widget.setLayout(offline Vlayout)
```

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self.library subwnd.addTab(offline widget, "
                                                       Offline
                                                                    ")
        self.library subwnd.addTab(online widget, " Online
                                                                  ")
        self.CreateOfflineDir()
self.library offline list.clicked.connect(self.ViewSelectedFiles)
    def ViewSelectedFiles(self):
        all files = []
        selected files = self.library offline list.selectedIndexes()
        for file name in selected files:
            file path = QFileSystemModel().filePath(file name)
            if file path.endswith(".json"):
                if not all files. contains (file path):
                    all files.append(file path)
                    # print(all files)
        self.on file open(all files)
    def active_graph_switched(self):
        self.update menus()
        if self.currentNodeEditor():
self.VEStackedWdg.setCurrentWidget(self.currentNodeEditor().scene.user n
odes wdg)
    def switch_display(self, Welcome=False, Editor=False,
Designer=False, Library=False):
        # Use the Argument To Force Activate the Specified Window
        if Editor:
            self.stackedDisplay.setCurrentIndex(0)
            self.library btn.setChecked(False)
            self.node_editor_btn.setChecked(True)
            self.node designer btn.setChecked(False)
            return
        if Library:
            self.stackedDisplay.setCurrentIndex(0)
            self.library btn.setChecked(True)
            self.node editor btn.setChecked(False)
            self.node_designer btn.setChecked(False)
            return
        elif Designer:
            self.stackedDisplay.setCurrentIndex(1)
            self.library btn.setChecked(False)
            self.node editor btn.setChecked(False)
            self.node designer btn.setChecked(True)
```

```
self.node editor menu.setEnabled(False)
            self.library menu.setEnabled(False)
            self.toolbar library.setChecked(False)
self.librariesDock.setVisible(self.toolbar library.isChecked())
            return
        elif Welcome:
            self.stackedDisplay.setCurrentIndex(2)
            return
    def CreateToolBar(self):
        # Create Tools self.tools bar
        self.tools bar = QToolBar("Tools", self)
        self.tools bar.setIconSize(QSize(20, 20))
        self.tools bar.setFloatable(False)
        # Add self.tools bar To Main Window
        self.addToolBar(self.tools bar)
        # Add and connect self.settingsBtn
        self.settingsBtn =
QAction(QIcon(self.global switches.get icon("settings.png")), "&Open
Settings Window", self)
        self.settingsBtn.setIconText("settings.png")
        self.settingsBtn.setCheckable(True)
        self.settingsBtn.triggered.connect(self.onSettingsOpen)
self.settingsBtn.setShortcut(QKeySequence(self.global switches.switches
Dict["Key Mapping"]["Settings Window"]))
        self.tools bar.addAction(self.settingsBtn)
        self.actions creation dict["UI"]["Settings Window"] =
[self.settingsBtn]
        # Add Separator
        self.tools bar.addSeparator()
        self.node editor btn =
QAction(QIcon(self.global switches.get icon("edit.png")), "&Node
Editor", self)
        self.node editor btn.setIconText("edit.png")
        self.node editor btn.setCheckable(True)
self.node editor btn.triggered.connect(self.activate editor mode)
        self.tools bar.addAction(self.node editor btn)
        self.actions creation dict["UI"]["Node Editor Window"] =
[self.node editor btn]
        # Add and connect self.node designer btn
        self.node designer btn =
QAction(QIcon(self.global switches.get icon("node design.png")), "&Node
Designer", self)
```

```
self.node designer btn.setIconText("node design.png")
        self.node designer btn.setEnabled(False)
        self.node designer btn.setCheckable(True)
self.node designer btn.triggered.connect(self.activate designer mode)
        self.tools bar.addAction(self.node designer btn)
        self.actions creation dict["UI"]["Node Designer Window"] =
[self.node_designer btn]
        # Add and connect self.library btn
        self.library btn =
QAction(QIcon(self.global switches.get icon("library.png")), "&Library",
self)
        self.library btn.setIconText("library.png")
        self.library btn.setCheckable(True)
        self.library btn.triggered.connect(self.activate library mode)
        self.library btn.setShortcut(QKeySequence("`"))
        self.tools bar.addAction(self.library btn)
        self.actions creation dict["UI"]["Library Window"] =
[self.library btn]
        # Add Separator
        self.tools bar.addSeparator()
    def onSettingsOpen(self):
        if self. dict . contains ("settingsWidget"):
            if self.settingsWidget.isHidden():
                self.settingsWidget.show()
                self.settingsBtn.setChecked(True)
                self.settingsWidget.hide()
        else:
            self.settingsWidget = SettingsWidget(masterRef=self)
self.global switches.update font size(self.global switches.switches Dict
["Appearance"]["Font Size"])
            self.settingsWidget.show()
            self.settingsBtn.setChecked(True)
            self.settingsWidget.setWindowTitle("Settings")
            self.settingsWidget.setGeometry(300, 150, 500, 500)
    def closeEvent(self, event):
        self.graphs parent wdg.closeAllSubWindows()
        if self.graphs parent wdg.currentSubWindow():
            event.ignore()
        else:
            self.writeSettings()
            event.accept()
            # hacky fix for PyQt 5.14.x
            import sys
```

```
sys.exit(0)
    def createActions(self):
        self.actions creation dict = \
                "File Menu":
                        "New Graph": [None, "Create new graph",
self.on new graph tab,
                       '&New Graph'],
                        "addSeparator 1": [],
                        "Open": [None, "Open file", self.on file open,
'&Open'],
                        "Set Project Location": [None, "Set a Folder For
Your Project", self.files_widget.set_project_folder, '&Set Project
Location'],
                        "Save": [None, "Save file", self.onFileSave,
'&Save'],
                        "Save As": [None, "Save file as...",
self.on file save as, 'Save &As...'],
                        "addSeparator 2": [],
                        "Exit": [None, "Exit application", self.close,
'E&xit']
                    }
                "Edit Menu":
                        "Undo": [None, "Undo last operation",
self.onEditUndo, '&Undo'],
                        "Redo": [None, "Redo last operation",
self.onEditRedo, "&Redo"],
                        "addSeparator 1": [],
                        "Select All": [None, "Select's All Nodes",
self.selectAllNodes, 'Select&All'],
                        "Cut": [None, "Cut to clipboard",
self.onEditCut, 'Cu&t'],
                        "Copy": [None, "Copy to clipboard",
self.onEditCopy, '&Copy'],
                        "Paste": [None, "Paste from clipboard",
self.onEditPaste, '&Paste'],
                        "addSeparator 2": [],
                        "Delete": [None, "Delete selected items",
self.onEditDelete, "&Delete"]
                    }
                "Node Editor Menu":
                        "Close": [None, "Close the active window",
self.graphs_parent_wdg.closeActiveSubWindow, "Cl&ose"],
                        "Close All": [None, "Close all the windows",
self.graphs_parent_wdg.closeAllSubWindows, "Close &All"],
                        "addSeparator 2": [],
                        "Tile": [None, "Tile the windows",
self.graphs_parent_wdg.tileSubWindows, "&Tile"],
                        "addSeparator 3": [],
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"Next": [None, "Move the focus to the next
window", self.graphs parent wdg.activateNextSubWindow, "Ne&xt"],
                        "Previous": [None, "Move the focus to the
previous window", self.graphs parent wdg.activatePreviousSubWindow,
"Pre&vious"]
                "Help":
                        "About": [None, "Show the application's About
box", self.about, "&About"],
                        "Doc": [None, "Program Documentation",
self.open doc, "&Documentation"]
                "UI":
                    {}
        self.actSeparator = QAction(self)
        self.actSeparator.setSeparator(True)
    def set actions shortcuts(self):
        shortcuts = self.global switches.switches Dict["Key Mapping"]
        for menu in self.actions creation dict:
            for act in self.actions creation dict[menu]:
                menu vals = self.actions creation dict[menu]
                if not act. contains ("addSeparator"):
                    if shortcuts. contains (act):
                        menu vals[act][0].setShortcut(shortcuts[act])
    def open doc(self):
        subprocess.Popen('hh.exe "VVS-Help.chm"')
    def currentNodeEditor(self):
        """ we're returning NodeEditorWidget here... """
        activeSubWindow = self.graphs parent wdg.activeSubWindow()
        if activeSubWindow:
            return activeSubWindow.widget()
        else:
            return None
    def on new graph tab(self):
        # Overrides Node Editor Window > actNew action
        try:
            subwnd = self.new graph tab()
            all names = []
            for item in self.graphs parent wdg.subWindowList():
                all names.append(item.widget().windowTitle())
            self.files widget.new graph name(subwnd, all names)
        except Exception as e:
```

```
dumpException(e)
    def on file open(self, all files=False):
        if all files == False:
            file names, filter = QFileDialog.getOpenFileNames(self,
'Open graph from file',
self.files widget.Project Directory,
self.getFileDialogFilter())
        else:
            file names = all files
        try:
            for file name in file names:
                if file name:
                    if self.findMdiChild(file name):
                        subwnd = self.findMdiChild(file name)
self.graphs parent wdg.setActiveSubWindow(subwnd)
                    else:
                        # We need to create new subWindow and open the
file
                        subwnd = self.new graph tab()
                        node editor = subwnd.widget()
                        if node editor.fileLoad(file name):
                             self.statusBar().showMessage("File %s
loaded" % file name, 5000)
node editor.setWindowTitle(os.path.splitext(os.path.basename(file name))
[0])
                        else:
                            node editor.close()
        except Exception as e:
            dumpException(e)
    def create menus(self):
        super().create menus()
        self.node editor menu = self.menuBar().addMenu("&Node Editor")
        self.library menu = self.menuBar().addMenu("&Library")
        self.node designer menu = self.menuBar().addMenu("&Node
Designer")
        self.update window menu()
        self.helpMenu = self.menuBar().addMenu("&Help")
```

```
for i in self.actions creation dict["Help"]:
            if i. contains ("addSeparator"):
                self.helpMenu.addSeparator()
            else:
                mylist = self.actions creation dict["Help"][i]
                act = QAction(mylist[3], parent=self,
statusTip=mylist[1], triggered=mylist[2])
                self.helpMenu.addAction(act)
                self.actions creation dict["Help"][i][0] = act
        self.editMenu.aboutToShow.connect(self.update edit menu)
    def update menus(self):
        active = self.currentNodeEditor()
        hasMdiChild = (active is not None)
        Switchs = {"File Menu": ["Save", "Save As"], "Edit Menu":
["Paste", "Select All"], "Node Editor Menu": ["Close", "Close All",
"Tile", "Next", "Previous"]}
        for menu in Switchs:
            for act name in Switchs[menu]:
self.actions_creation_dict[menu] [act name] [0].setEnabled(hasMdiChild)
        # Update Edit Menu
        self.update edit menu()
    def update edit menu(self):
        try:
            active = self.currentNodeEditor()
            hasMdiChild = (active is not None)
            self.actions creation dict["Edit
Menu"]["Cut"][0].setEnabled(hasMdiChild and active.hasSelectedItems())
            self.actions creation dict["Edit
Menu"]["Copy"][0].setEnabled(hasMdiChild and active.hasSelectedItems())
            self.actions creation dict["Edit
Menu"]["Delete"][0].setEnabled(hasMdiChild and
active.hasSelectedItems())
            self.actions creation dict["Edit
Menu"]["Undo"][0].setEnabled(hasMdiChild and active.canUndo())
            self.actions creation dict["Edit
Menu"]["Redo"][0].setEnabled(hasMdiChild and active.canRedo())
        except Exception as e:
            dumpException(e)
    def update window menu(self):
        self.toolbar library = self.library menu.addAction("Libraries
Window")
        self.toolbar library.setCheckable(True)
self.toolbar library.triggered.connect(self.update libraries wnd)
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self.toolbar library.setChecked(False)
        self.toolbar properties =
self.node editor menu.addAction("Properties Window")
        self.toolbar properties.setCheckable(True)
self.toolbar properties.triggered.connect(self.update properties wnd)
        self.toolbar properties.setChecked(True)
        self.toolbar files = self.node editor menu.addAction("Project
Files Window")
        self.toolbar files.setCheckable(True)
        self.toolbar files.triggered.connect(self.update files wnd)
        self.toolbar files.setChecked(True)
        self.toolbar events vars =
self.node editor menu.addAction("Variables & Events Window")
        self.toolbar events vars.setCheckable(True)
self.toolbar events vars.triggered.connect(self.update events vars wnd)
        self.toolbar events vars.setChecked(True)
        self.toolbar functions =
self.node editor menu.addAction("Functions Window")
        self.toolbar functions.setCheckable(True)
self.toolbar functions.triggered.connect(self.update functions wnd)
        self.toolbar functions.setChecked(True)
        self.node editor menu.addSeparator()
        for i in self.actions creation dict["Node Editor Menu"]:
            if i.__contains ("addSeparator"):
                self.node editor menu.addSeparator()
            else:
                mylist = self.actions creation dict["Node Editor
Menu"][i]
                act = QAction(mylist[3], parent=self,
statusTip=mylist[1], triggered=mylist[2])
                self.node editor menu.addAction(act)
                self.actions creation dict["Node Editor Menu"][i][0] =
act
        windows = self.graphs parent wdg.subWindowList()
        self.actSeparator.setVisible(len(windows) != 0)
        for i, window in enumerate(windows):
            child = window.widget()
            text = "%d %s" % (i + 1, child.getUserFriendlyFilename())
            if i < 9:
                text = '&' + text
            action = self.node editor menu.addAction(text)
            action.setCheckable(True)
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action.setChecked(child is self.currentNodeEditor())
            action.triggered.connect(self.windowMapper.map)
            self.windowMapper.setMapping(action, window)
    def update functions wnd(self):
self.toolbar functions.setChecked(self.toolbar functions.isChecked())
self.functionsDock.setVisible(self.toolbar functions.isChecked())
    def update_events_vars_wnd(self):
self.toolbar events vars.setChecked(self.toolbar events vars.isChecked()
self.varsEventsDock.setVisible(self.toolbar events vars.isChecked())
    def update properties wnd(self):
self.toolbar properties.setChecked(self.toolbar properties.isChecked())
self.proprietiesDock.setVisible(self.toolbar properties.isChecked())
    def update libraries_wnd(self):
self.toolbar library.setChecked(self.toolbar library.isChecked())
        self.librariesDock.setVisible(self.toolbar library.isChecked())
    def update files wnd(self):
        self.toolbar files.setChecked(self.toolbar files.isChecked())
        self.filesDock.setVisible(self.toolbar files.isChecked())
    def activate editor mode(self):
        if self.graphs parent wdg.subWindowList():
            self.switch display(Editor=True)
        else:
            self.switch display(Welcome=True)
        self.node editor menu.setEnabled(True)
        self.library menu.setEnabled(False)
        self.toolbar library.setChecked(False)
        self.librariesDock.setVisible(self.toolbar library.isChecked())
        self.toolbar functions.setChecked(True)
self.functionsDock.setVisible(self.toolbar functions.isChecked())
        self.toolbar files.setChecked(True)
        self.filesDock.setVisible(self.toolbar files.isChecked())
        self.toolbar properties.setChecked(True)
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self.proprietiesDock.setVisible(self.toolbar properties.isChecked())
    def activate designer mode(self):
        self.switch display(Designer=True)
    def activate library mode(self):
        if self.graphs parent wdg.subWindowList():
            self.switch display(Library=True)
        else:
            self.switch display(Welcome=True)
        # Handel buttons State
        self.node editor menu.setEnabled(False)
        self.library menu.setEnabled(True)
        self.toolbar library.setChecked(True)
        self.librariesDock.setVisible(self.toolbar library.isChecked())
        self.toolbar files.setChecked(False)
        self.filesDock.setVisible(self.toolbar files.isChecked())
    def create functions dock(self):
        self.functionsDock = QDockWidget("Functions")
        self.nodesListWidget = NodeList()
        self.functionsDock.setWidget(self.nodesListWidget)
self.functionsDock.setFeatures(self.functionsDock.DockWidgetMovable)
        self.addDockWidget(Qt.LeftDockWidgetArea, self.functionsDock)
    def create_files_dock(self):
self.brows btn.clicked.connect(self.files widget.set project folder)
        # self.files widget.setSizePolicy(QSizePolicy.Maximum,
QSizePolicy.Maximum)
        self.filesDock = QDockWidget("Project Files")
        self.filesDock.setWidget(self.files widget)
        self.filesDock.setFeatures(self.filesDock.DockWidgetMovable)
        self.addDockWidget(Qt.RightDockWidgetArea, self.filesDock)
    def create properties dock(self):
        self.proprietiesWdg = PropertiesList(master ref=self)
        self.proprietiesDock = QDockWidget("Properties")
        self.proprietiesDock.setWidget(self.proprietiesWdg)
self.proprietiesDock.setFeatures(self.proprietiesDock.DockWidgetMovable)
        self.addDockWidget(Qt.RightDockWidgetArea, self.proprietiesDock)
    def create user nodes dock(self):
        self.varsEventsDock = QDockWidget("Variables & Events")
        self.VEStackedWdg = QStackedWidget()
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self.VEStackedWdg.setSizePolicy(QSizePolicy.MinimumExpanding,
QSizePolicy.MinimumExpanding)
        self.varsEventsDock.setWidget(self.VEStackedWdg)
self.varsEventsDock.setFeatures(self.varsEventsDock.DockWidgetMovable)
        self.addDockWidget(Qt.LeftDockWidgetArea, self.varsEventsDock)
    def delete user nodes wgd(self, ref):
        self.VEStackedWdg.removeWidget(ref)
    def createStatusBar(self):
        self.statusBar().showMessage("Ready")
    def before window close(self):
        self.proprietiesWdg.clear properties()
    def on before save file(self):
        self.proprietiesWdg.clear properties()
    def new graph tab(self):
        # This Check Prevents The Parent graph from opening in Cascade
view-mode
        if not self.graphs_parent_wdg.subWindowList():
            self.switch display(Editor=True)
        node editor = NodeEditorTab (masterRef=self)
        VEL = UserNodesList(scene=node editor.scene,
propertiesWdg=self.proprietiesWdg)
        self.VEStackedWdg.addWidget(VEL)
        self.VEStackedWdg.setCurrentWidget(VEL)
        node editor.scene.user nodes wdg = VEL
        subwnd = QMdiSubWindow()
        subwnd.setAttribute(Qt.WA DeleteOnClose, True)
        subwnd.setWidget(node_editor)
        self.graphs parent wdg.addSubWindow(subwnd)
        subwnd.setWindowIcon(self.empty icon)
        node_editor.scene.addItemSelectedListener(self.update edit menu)
node editor.scene.addItemsDeselectedListener(self.update edit menu)
node editor.scene.history.addHistoryModifiedListener(self.update edit me
nu)
        node editor.addCloseEventListener(self.on sub wnd close)
        self.graphs parent wdg.setViewMode(QMdiArea.TabbedView)
        subwnd.show()
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return subwnd
def on sub wnd close(self, widget, event):
    existing = self.findMdiChild(widget.filename)
    self.graphs parent wdg.setActiveSubWindow(existing)
    if self.ask save():
        event.accept()
        self.delete user nodes wgd(widget.scene.user nodes wdg)
        if (len(self.graphs parent wdg.subWindowList())-1) == 0:
            self.switch display(Welcome=True)
            self.switch display(Editor=True)
        self.before window close()
    else:
        event.ignore()
def findMdiChild(self, filename):
    for window in self.graphs parent wdg.subWindowList():
        if window.widget().filename == filename:
            return window
    return None
def setActiveSubWindow(self, window):
    if window:
        self.graphs parent wdg.setActiveSubWindow(window)
def get QWidget content(self, widget):
    if [QKeySequenceEdit]. contains (type(widget)):
        return widget.keySequence().toString()
    elif [QSpinBox, QDoubleSpinBox]. contains (type(widget)):
        return widget.value()
    elif [QLineEdit, QLabel].__contains__(type(widget)):
        return widget.text()
    elif [QTextEdit].__contains__(type(widget)):
        return widget.toPlainText()
    elif [QRadioButton, QCheckBox]. contains (type(widget)):
        return widget.isChecked()
    elif [QComboBox]. contains (type(widget)):
        current = widget.currentText()
        widget.removeItem(widget.currentIndex())
        content list = [current]
        for index in range(widget. len ()):
            content list.append(widget.itemText(index))
        widget.clear()
        widget.addItems(content list)
        return content list
    else:
        print(widget, "Widget Not Supported << Get")</pre>
        return None
def set QWidget content(self, widget, new value):
    if [QKeySequenceEdit]. contains (type(widget)):
        widget.setKeySequence(new value)
    elif [QSpinBox, QDoubleSpinBox]. contains (type(widget)):
        widget.setValue(new value)
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elif [QLineEdit, QLabel, QTextEdit]. contains (type(widget)):
            widget.setText(new value)
        elif [QRadioButton, QCheckBox].__contains__(type(widget)):
            widget.setChecked(new value)
        elif [QComboBox].__contains__(type(widget)):
            widget.clear()
            widget.addItems(new value)
        else:
            print(widget, "Widget Not Supported << Set")</pre>
    def about(self):
        QMessageBox.about(self, "About Calculator NodeEditor Example",
                          "The <b>Calculator NodeEditor</b> example
demonstrates how to write multiple "
                          "document interface applications using PyQt5
and NodeEditor. For more information visit: "
                          "<a
href='https://www.blenderfreak.com/'>www.BlenderFreak.com</a>")
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#### UserNodesList

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from PyQt5.QtCore import *
from PyQt5.QtGui import *
from PyQt5.QtWidgets import *
from nodeeditor.node scene import NodeScene
from vvs_app.editor_properties_list import PropertiesList
from vvs app.nodes.default functions import *
from vvs app.nodes.user functions nodes import UserFunction
from vvs app.nodes.nodes configuration import VARIABLES, get class by type,
LISTBOX MIMETYPE
from nodeeditor.utils import dumpException
from vvs app.nodes.variables nodes import UserVar
class UserNodesList(QTabWidget):
    def init (self, parent=None, scene: NodeScene = None, propertiesWdg:
PropertiesList = None):
        super(). init (parent)
        self.user nodes data = []
        self.USER NODES = {}
        self.scene = scene
        self.proprietiesWdg = propertiesWdg
        self.InitUI()
    def InitUI(self):
        # Add QTabWidget and add Both Variables Tab and Events Tab
        tab1 = QWidget()
        tab2 = QWidget()
        self.addTab(tab1, "Variables")
        self.addTab(tab2, "Functions")
        # Create Variables List
        self.var list = QListWidget()
        self.function list = QListWidget()
        # Create Variables and Events WNDs layout
        self.varLayout = QVBoxLayout()
        self.varLayout.setContentsMargins(0, 0, 0, 0)
        self.eventLayout = QVBoxLayout()
        self.eventLayout.setContentsMargins(0, 0, 0, 0)
        # Set Layouts For both
        tab1.setLayout(self.varLayout)
        tab2.setLayout(self.eventLayout)
        ## Setup CompoBox and add Button For Vars
        self.varCompoBox = QComboBox()
        self.varAddBtn = QPushButton("Add Variable")
        self.varHlayout = QHBoxLayout()
        self.varCompoBox.setMinimumHeight(28)
        self.varAddBtn.setMinimumHeight(28)
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self.var list.setIconSize(QSize(28, 28))
        self.varHlayout.setContentsMargins(2, 2, 2, 2)
        self.varHlayout.addWidget(self.varCompoBox)
        self.varHlayout.addWidget(self.varAddBtn)
        self.varLayout.addLayout(self.varHlayout)
        self.varLayout.addWidget(self.var list)
        self.var list.setDragEnabled(True)
        # Setup CompoBox and add Button For Vars
        self.function compo box = QComboBox()
        self.event add btn = QPushButton("Add Function")
        self.eventHlayout = QHBoxLayout()
        self.function compo box.setMinimumHeight(28)
        self.event add btn.setMinimumHeight(28)
        self.function list.setIconSize(QSize(28, 28))
        self.eventHlayout.setContentsMargins(2, 2, 2, 2)
        self.eventHlayout.addWidget(self.function compo box)
        self.eventHlayout.addWidget(self.event add btn)
        self.eventLayout.addLayout(self.eventHlayout)
        self.eventLayout.addWidget(self.function list)
        self.function list.setDragEnabled(True)
        self.var list.startDrag = self.VarStartDrag
        self.function list.startDrag = self.EventStartDrag
        # self.VarList.startDrag.connect()
        self.var list.itemClicked.connect(lambda:
self.list selection changed(is var=True))
        self.function list.itemClicked.connect(lambda:
self.list selection changed(is var=False))
        # self.VarList.itemSelectionChanged.connect(lambda :
self.list selection changed(var=True))
        # self.EventList.itemSelectionChanged.connect(lambda :
self.list selection changed(var=False))
        self.InitList()
    def set user node Id now(self, class reference):
        id = 0
        while id in self. USER NODES:
            id = id+1
            self.USER NODES[id] = class reference
            return id
    def get user node by id(self, node_id):
        if node id not in self.USER NODES:
            raise NodeTypeNotRegistered("node type '%d' is not registered"
% node id)
        else:
            return self.USER NODES[node id]
    def MakeCopyOfClass(self, node):
        class NewNode(node):
            pass
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return NewNode
    def InitList(self):
        self.function compo box.addItem('function',
userData=UserFunction.node type)
        self.varCompoBox.addItem('float', userData=UserVar.node type)
        self.varCompoBox.addItem('integer', userData=UserVar.node type)
        self.varCompoBox.addItem('boolean', userData=UserVar.node_type)
        self.varCompoBox.addItem('string', userData=UserVar.node type)
        # self.loadVars(self.userData.LoadData())
        self.varAddBtn.clicked.connect(lambda: self.add new node(var=True))
        self.event add btn.clicked.connect(lambda:
self.add new node(var=False))
    def add new node(self, var):
        if var:
            usage = self.varCompoBox.currentText()
self.varCompoBox.itemData(self.varCompoBox.currentIndex())
            node name = f'user {usage}'
        else:
            node name = 'user function'
self.function compo box.itemData(self.function compo box.currentIndex())
            usage = 'function'
        self.create user node(self.autoNodeRename(node name), node id=None,
type=type, user=True, node usage=usage, node structure='single value',
node return='mutable')
    def create user node(self, name, node id, type, node return,
node structure, node usage, user=False):
        if type == UserVar.node type:
            node = UserVar
        elif type == UserFunction.node type:
            node = UserFunction
        # Get new Variable type and construct new Variable object
        node = get class by type(type)
        new node = self.MakeCopyOfClass(node)
        new node.node return = node return
        new node.node structure = node structure
        new node.node usage = node usage
        node_data = {'node_name':name,
                     'node id':node id,
                     'node usage':node usage,
                     'node type':type,
                     'node return':node return,
                     'node structure':node structure}
        # Add new copy of Var class Info to Dict of USER VARS
        new id = self.set user node Id now(new node)
        new node.nodeID = node data['node id'] = new id
        new node.name = name
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# Save new Var to list of vars with [name , node id , type
,node return ,node structure]
        self.user nodes data.append(node data)
        if type == UserFunction.node type:
            A list = self.function list
        else:
            A list = self.var list
        # Add new QListItem to the UI List using Init Data
        self.addMyItem(new node.name, new node.icon, new id,
node.node type, A list)
        if user:
            self.scene.history.storeHistory("Created User Node ",
setModified=True)
        self.scene.node editor.UpdateTextCode()
    def addMyItem(self, name, icon=None, new node ID=int, node type=int,
List=QListWidget):
        item = QListWidgetItem(name, List) # can be (icon, text, parent,
<int>type)
        pixmap = QPixmap(icon if icon is not None else "")
        item.setIcon(QIcon(pixmap))
        item.setSizeHint(QSize(28, 28))
        item.setFlags(Qt.ItemIsEnabled | Qt.ItemIsSelectable |
Qt.ItemIsDragEnabled)
        # setup data
        item.setData(Qt.UserRole, pixmap)
        item.setData(80, node type)
        item.setData(90, new node ID)
        item.setData(91, name)
    def list selection changed(self, is var, *args, **kwargs):
        # Name line edite setup
        if is var:
            item = self.var list.currentItem()
        else:
            item = self.function list.currentItem()
        self.proprietiesWdg.clear properties()
        self.create wdg for selection(item, is var)
    def create wdg for selection(self, item, is var):
        # Create name widget
        self.node name input = QLineEdit()
        self.node name input.setValidator(QRegExpValidator(QRegExp("[A-Za-
z0-9 ]+")))
        self.node name input.setText(f"{item.data(91)}")
        self.node name input.returnPressed.connect(lambda:
self.update node name(is var))
        self.proprietiesWdg.create properties widget("Node Name",
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self.node name input)
        # Create user function return type widget
        if item.data(80) == UserFunction.node type:
            self.return type = QComboBox()
            return types = list(self.scene.node editor.return types.keys())
            return types.remove('Languages')
            self.return type.addItems(return types)
self.return type.setCurrentText(self.get user node by id(item.data(90)).nod
e return)
            self.return type.currentIndexChanged.connect(lambda:
self.update node return(item.data(91), item.data(90)))
            self.proprietiesWdg.create properties widget("Return Type",
self.return type)
        elif UserVar.node type == item.data(80):
            self.structure_type = QComboBox()
            self.structure type.addItems(["single value", "array"])
self.structure type.setCurrentText(self.get user node by id(item.data(90)).
node structure)
            self.structure type.currentIndexChanged.connect(lambda:
self.update node structure type(item.data(91), item.data(90)))
            self.proprietiesWdg.create properties widget("Structure Type",
self.structure type)
        # Create user node Delete button
        self.delete btn = QPushButton(f"Delete {item.data(91)}")
        self.delete btn.clicked.connect(lambda:
self.delete node(item.data(91), user=True))
        self.delete btn.setShortcut(
QKeySequence(f"Shift+{self.scene.masterRef.global switches.switches Dict['K
ey Mapping']['Delete']}"))
        self.proprietiesWdg.create properties widget("Delete",
self.delete btn)
    def update node structure type(self, node name, node id):
        structure type = self.structure type.currentText()
        node ref = self.get user node by id(node id)
        node ref.node structure = structure type
        for item in self.user nodes data:
            if item['node name'] == node name:
                item['node structure'] = structure type
        for node in self.scene.nodes:
            if node.name == node name:
                node.node structure = structure type
                for socket in node.inputs + node.outputs:
                    if socket.socket_type != 0:
                        socket.changeSocketType(5 if structure_type ==
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'array' else socket.original socket type)
        self.scene.node editor.UpdateTextCode()
    def update node return(self, node name, node id):
        return type = self.return type.currentText()
        for data in self.user nodes data:
            if data['node name'] == node name:
                data['node_return'] = return_type
        for node in self.scene.nodes:
            if node.name == node name:
                node.node return = return type
        node ref = self.get user node by id(node id)
        node ref.node return = return type
        self.scene.node_editor.UpdateTextCode()
    def VarStartDrag(self, *args, **kwargs):
        try:
            self.list selection changed(True)
            item = self.var list.currentItem()
            var ID = item.data(90)
            pixmap = QPixmap(item.data(Qt.UserRole))
            itemData = QByteArray()
            dataStream = QDataStream(itemData, QIODevice.WriteOnly)
            mimeData = QMimeData()
            drag = QDrag(self)
            dataStream << pixmap
            dataStream.writeInt(var ID)
            dataStream.writeQString(item.text())
            dataStream.writeQStringList(["V"])
            mimeData.setData(LISTBOX MIMETYPE, itemData)
            drag.setMimeData(mimeData)
            drag.setHotSpot(QPoint(pixmap.width() // 2, pixmap.height() //
2))
            drag.setPixmap(pixmap)
            drag.exec (Qt.MoveAction)
        except Exception as e:
            dumpException(e)
    def EventStartDrag(self, *args, **kwargs):
        try:
            self.list selection changed(False)
            item = self.function list.currentItem()
            event ID = item.data(90)
            pixmap = QPixmap(item.data(Qt.UserRole))
            itemData = QByteArray()
            dataStream = QDataStream(itemData, QIODevice.WriteOnly)
            mimeData = QMimeData()
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drag = QDrag(self)
            dataStream << pixmap</pre>
            dataStream.writeInt(event ID)
            dataStream.writeQString(item.text())
            dataStream.writeQStringList(["E"])
            mimeData.setData(LISTBOX MIMETYPE, itemData)
            drag.setMimeData(mimeData)
            drag.setHotSpot(QPoint(pixmap.width() // 2, pixmap.height() //
2))
            drag.setPixmap(pixmap)
            drag.exec (Qt.MoveAction)
        except Exception as e:
            dumpException(e)
    def update node name(self, is var):
        if is var:
            item = self.var list.currentItem()
        else:
            item = self.function list.currentItem()
        oldName = item.data(91)
        tryName = self.node name input.text()
        newName = self.userRename(oldName=oldName, tryName=tryName)
        if newName is None:
            return
        else:
            # get ref to user variable copy
            node ref = self.get user node by id(item.data(90))
            # set item text to new name
            item.setText(newName)
            item.setData(91, newName)
            # set name of parent var
            node ref.name = newName
            # rename all children grNode vars that have the old name
            for node in self.scene.nodes:
                if node.name == oldName:
                    node.name = newName
                    node.grNode.name = newName
            self.scene.node editor.UpdateTextCode()
    def findListItem(self, selectedNodes: 'Nodes'):
        if selectedNodes != []:
            for item in range(self.var list.count()):
                list item = self.var list.item(item)
                if list item.text() == selectedNodes[0].name:
                    self.var list.setCurrentItem(list item)
                    self.list selection changed(is var=True)
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self.setCurrentIndex(0)
                    self.proprietiesWdg.create order wdg()
                    return list item
            for item in range(self.function list.count()):
                list item = self.function list.item(item)
                if list item.text() == selectedNodes[0].name:
                    self.function list.setCurrentItem(list item)
                    self.list selection changed(is var=False)
                    self.setCurrentIndex(1)
                    self.proprietiesWdg.create order wdg()
                    return list item
            self.proprietiesWdg.clear properties()
        else:
            self.proprietiesWdg.clear properties()
# Data
#####################################
    def userRename(self, oldName, tryName: str):
        names = []
        for item in self.user nodes data:
            names.append(item['node name'])
        if names.__contains__(tryName):
            return None
        else:
            for item in self.user nodes data:
                if item['node name'] == oldName:
                    item['node name'] = tryName
                    return tryName
    def autoNodeRename(self, name: 'Node'):
        x = 0
        newName = name
        # does a variable already has this name ?
        names = []
        for item in self.user nodes data:
            names.append(item['node name'])
        # print(names)
        while names.__contains__(newName):
            x += 1
            newName = f'' \{name\} \{x\}''
        else:
            return newName
    def delete node(self, item name, user=False):
        item ref = None
        if self.var list.findItems(item name, Qt.MatchExactly):
            list ref = self.var list
            item ref = self.var list.findItems(item name,
Qt.MatchExactly) [0]
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else:
            list ref = self.function list
            item ref = self.function list.findItems(item name,
Qt.MatchExactly) [0]
        if item ref:
            self.USER NODES.pop(item ref.data(90))
            selected = []
            for item in self.user nodes data:
                if item['node name'] == item name:
                    self.user nodes data.remove(item)
            for node in self.scene.nodes:
                if node.name == item name:
                    selected.append(node)
            # This is split into two loops to prevent bugs that happen
while deleting nodes
            for node in selected:
                node.remove()
            list ref.setCurrentItem(item ref)
            list ref.takeItem(list ref.currentRow())
            list ref.clearSelection()
            self.proprietiesWdg.clear properties()
            self.scene.node editor.UpdateTextCode()
            if user:
                self.scene.history.storeHistory("Delete User Node ",
setModified=True)
            self.scene.node editor.UpdateTextCode()
        else:
            print("List Item Doesn't Exist")
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