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Chapter 2 - Configuring Source and Library in Visual Studio .NET 2003

Microsoft Visual Studio .NET 2003 is an advanced integrated development environment by Microsoft. It lets programmers to create programs that run on Microsoft Windows and the World Wide Web.

In chapter 2, you have generated C# code, exported database schema (DDL) and created persistent library. Now you can create a project for the generated C# code in Visual Studio .NET 2003.

In this chapter:

- Copying Generated Source and Library to Visual Studio .NET Project
- Adding Reference of an Existing Project to DB-VA Generated C# Project
- Testing the Visual Studio .NET Project

Copying Generated Source and Library to Visual Studio .NET Project

You can create Visual Studio .NET project easily because DB-VA supports the generation of C# project file. The project file helps you to configure the generated C# classes, resources files and referenced libraries in Visual Studio .NET.

1. Select C# Project File in the Database Code Generation dialog box

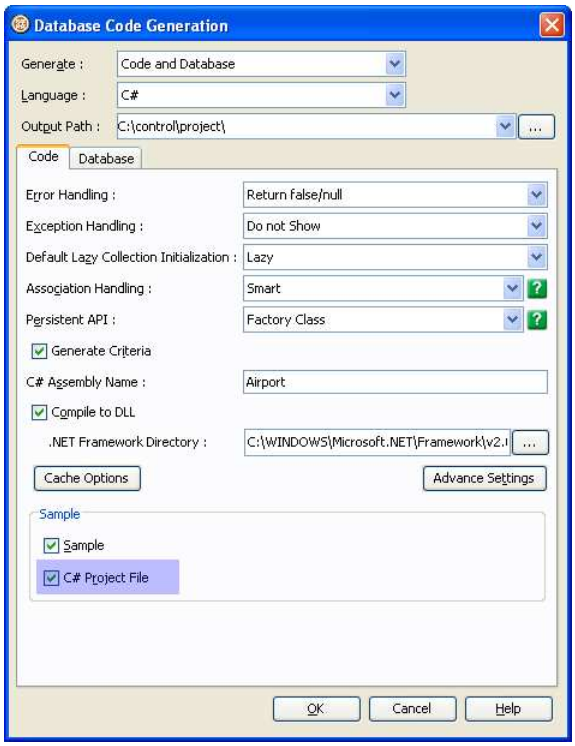

Figure 2.1 - The C# Project File options

2. The C# Project File is created in the **Output Path\src** folder

Figure 2.2 - The generated C# Project file

3. Open Visual Studio .NET 2003. From the menu bar, select **Open > Project.**

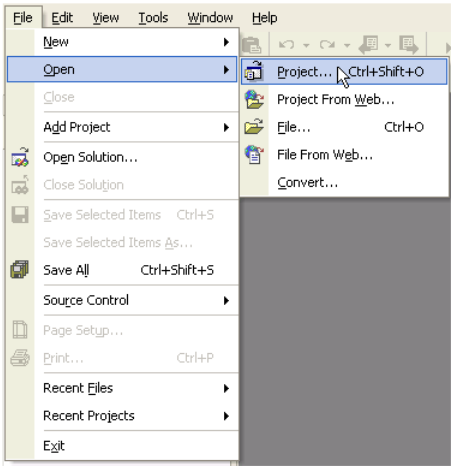

Figure 2.3 - Open a project files

4. Select the **Airport.csproj** and click **Open**

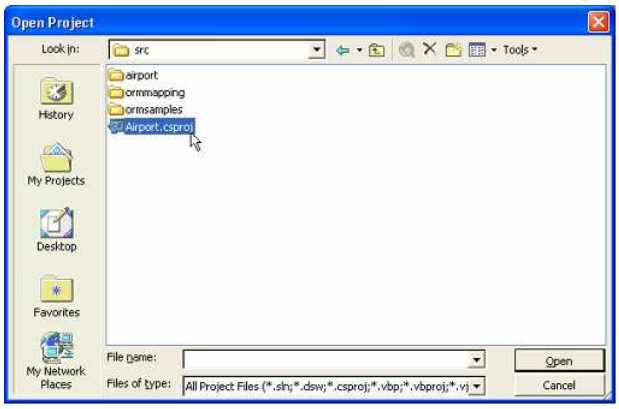

Figure 2.4 - Select a project

5. All Libraries are added to References and C# classes are inside the project.

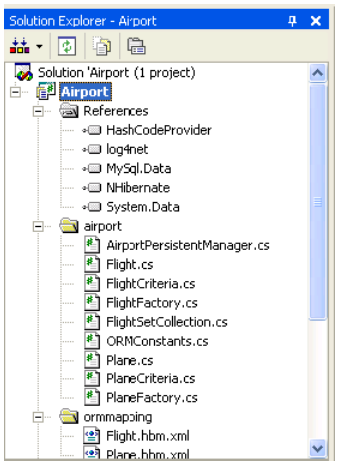

Figure 2.5 - The project contains all sources and library

Adding Reference of an Existing Project to DB-VA Generated C# Project

You can also reference the generated C# Visual Studio .NET Project as a library to develop an application.

1. Open Visual Studio .NET Project. Select **File > New > Project** on menu bar.

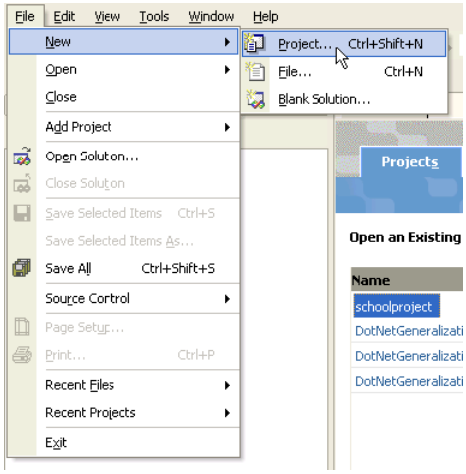

Figure 2.6 - To create a new project

2. Select Project Types as **Visual C# Projects** and Templates as **Console Application**. Enter the Project and Location for the new project and click **OK**.

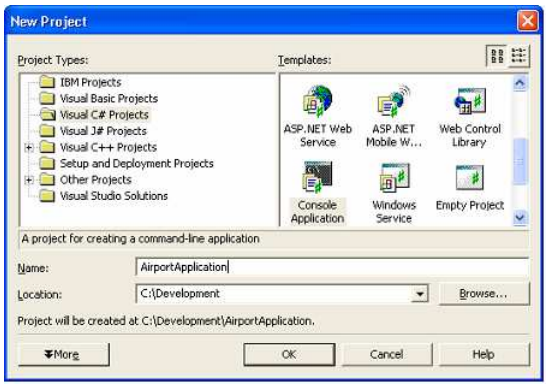

Figure 2.7 - New Project dialog

3. The **AirportApplication** project is created.

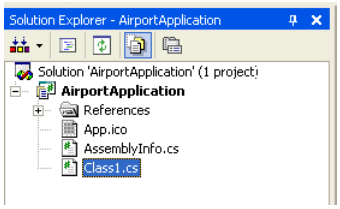

Figure 2.8 - Project created

You have an existing solution called AirportApplication and you may want to use the generated persistent code to develop a database application in AirportApplication.

4. Right click **Solution > Add > Existing Project...** to select the generated Project

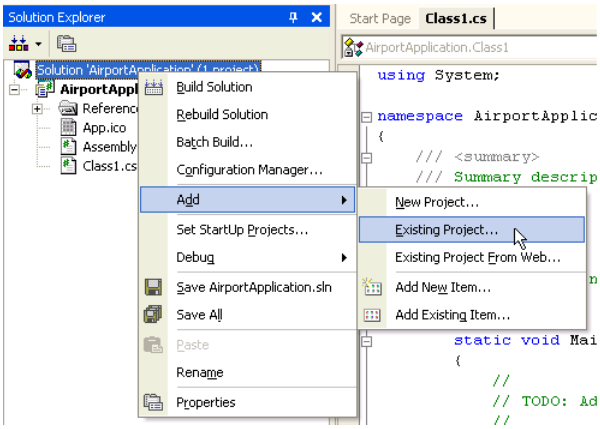

Figure 2.9 - To add and existing project

5. Select the generated C# Project File **(Airport.csproj**) and add it to the existing Solution.

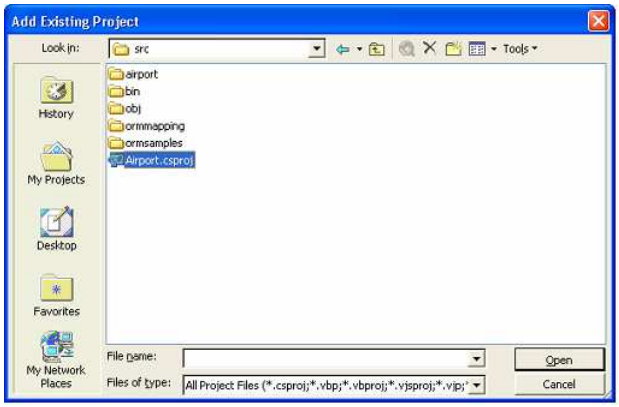

Figure 2.10 - select the project file

6. The generated C# project is added to **Solution**.

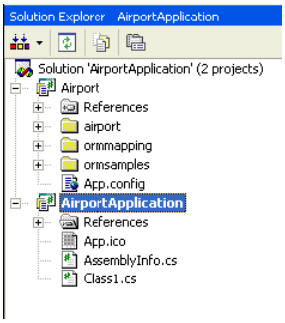

Figure 2.11 - Project imported

7. Right click **Airport** and select **Properties** on menu.

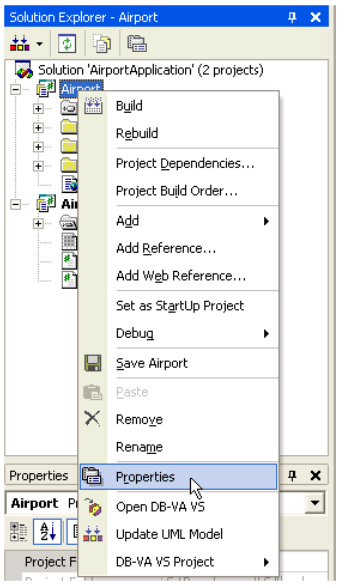

Figure 2.12 - To open the project properties

8. Change the **Output Type** from "**Windows Application**" to "**Class Library**". Click **OK**.

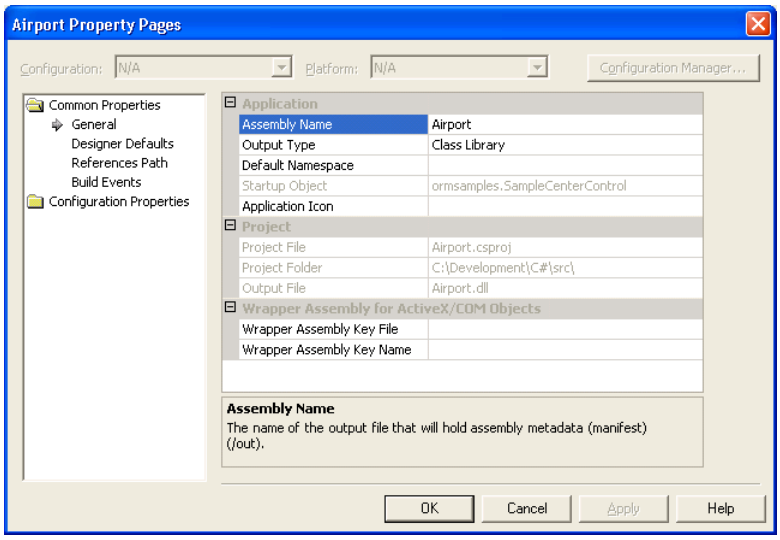

Figure 2.13 - Project Property Page

9. From the menu bar, select **Build > Rebuild Solution**. The DLL file is generated.

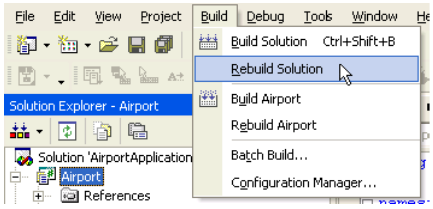

Figure 2.14 - To rebuild the solution

10. Right click the AirportApplication project and select **Add Reference...**on menu.

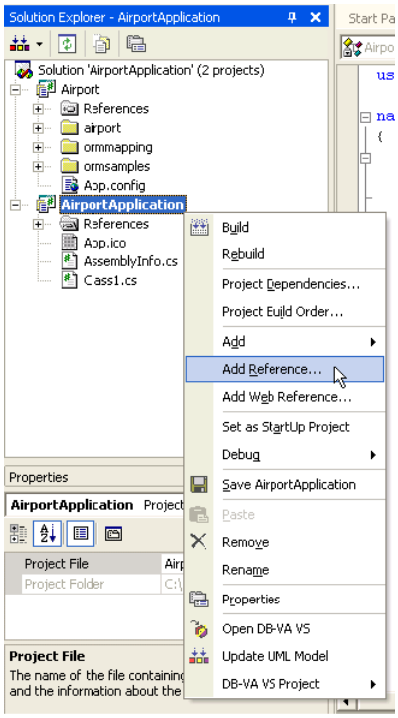

Figure 2.15 - Add project reference

11. Select Airport Project in **Projects** tab.

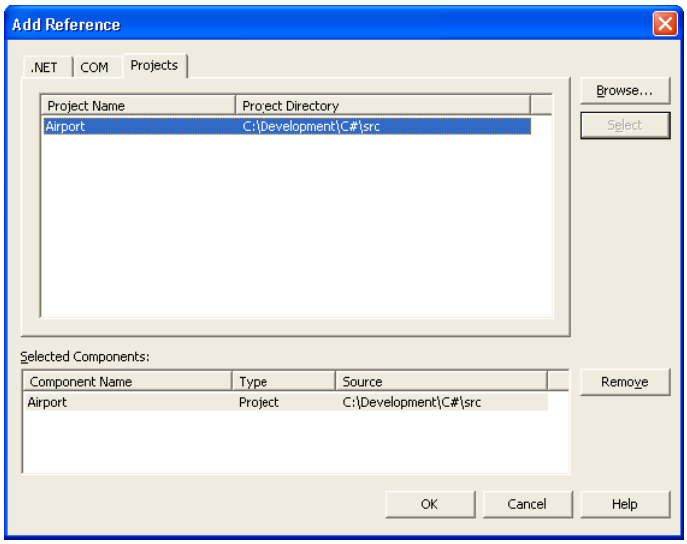

Figure 2.16 - Add Reference dialog

12. Select **.NET** tab and add all the libraries (**HashCodeProvider.dll, log4net.dll, MySQL.Data.dll, NHibernate.dll**) in Airport project's **lib** folder.

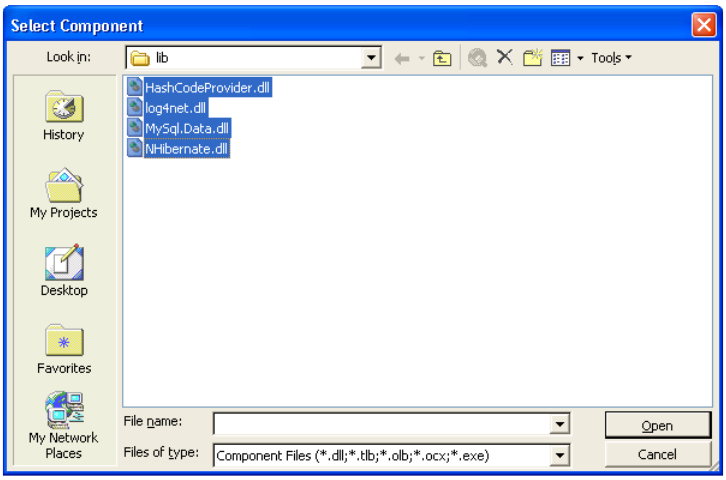

Figure 2.17 - Select the Component

13. The Airport project and libraries are added to the AirportApplication project's Reference. You can develop application to call C# persistent classes in the AirportApplication project.

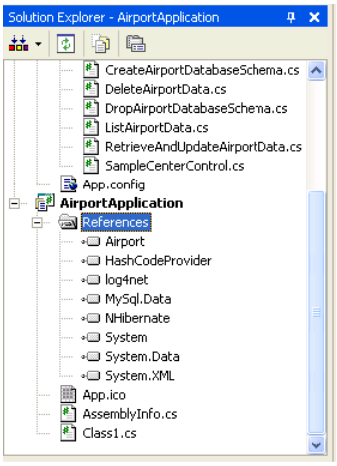

Figure 2.18 - The reference added

14. Copy the **hibernate.cfg.xml** file from **Airport project\src** to **AirportApplication project\bin\Debug**. The **hibernate.cfg.xml** contains the information of database connections and other settings.

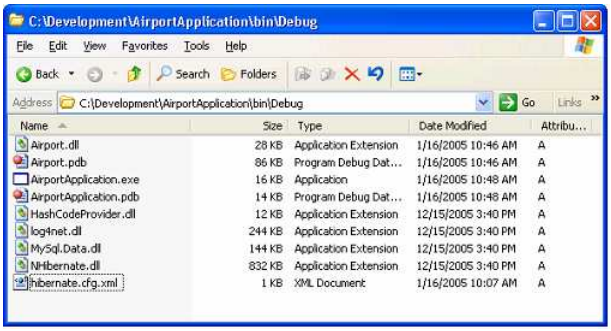

Figure 2.19 - Copy the hibernate.cfg.xml to debug folder

Testing the Visual Studio .NET Project

You have created the AirportApplication project and referenced the generated Airport project. You can develop a simple program to test the project.

1. Open the Class1.cs file in AirportApplication.
2. Modify the Class1.cs file.

```
using System;
using airport;
using Orm;

namespace AirportApplication
{
	/// <summary>
	/// Summary description for Class1.
	/// </summary>
	class Class1
	{
		/// <summary>
		/// The main entry point for the application.
		/// </summary>
		[STAThread]
		static void Main(string[] args)
		{
			PersistentTransaction t =
			airport.AirportPersistentManager.Instance().GetSession().BeginTrans
			action();
			try
			{
				airport.Flight lairportFlight =
				airport.FlightFactory.CreateFlight();
				// Initialize the properties of the persistent object
				lairportFlight.ArrivingAirport = "Hong Kong International
				Airport";
				lairportFlight.DepartingAirport = "Kansai International
				Airport";
				lairportFlight.DepartureTime = DateTime.Now;

				airport.Plane lairportPlane =
				airport.PlaneFactory.CreatePlane();
				// Initialize the properties of the persistent object
				lairportPlane.PlaneType = "747 plane";
				lairportPlane.MaxSpeed = 967;
				lairportPlane.MaxDistance = 8232;
				lairportPlane.flights.Add(lairportFlight);
				lairportPlane.Save();
				// lairportPlane.Save();
				t.Commit();
			}
			catch (Exception e)
			{
				t.RollBack();
				Console.WriteLine(e);
			}
		}
	}
}
```

3. From the menu bar, select **Build > Rebuild Solution**.

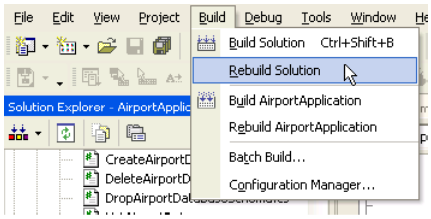

Figure 2.20 - To rebuild solution

4. Select **Debug > Start Without Debugging** to execute Class1.cs.

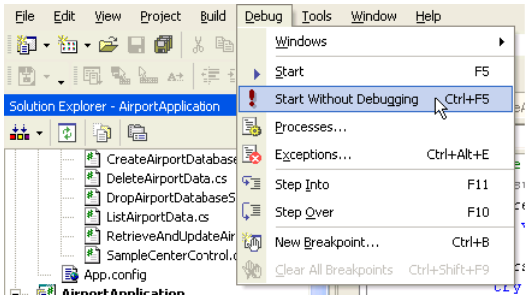

Figure 2.21 - To start without debugging

5. Check the MySQL database. The record is created.

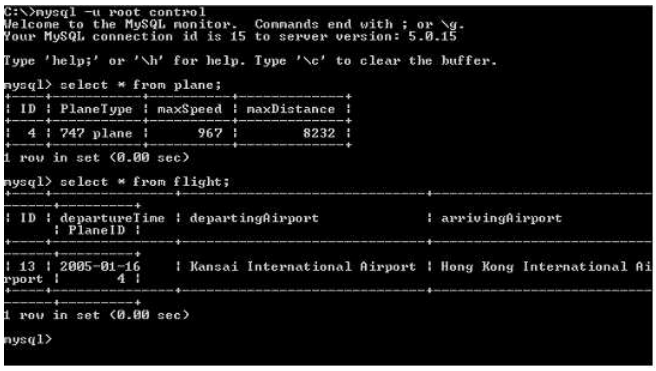

Figure 2.22 - The record is created in the database