

# UtiLite

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# Chapter 1

## UtiLite

### 1.1 Introduction

UtiLite is a simple library to create small cross-platform applications using **threads**, **events-based communication** and a powerful **logger**. The first three sections show the core classes of the library, then last sections show some useful functions added through time.

UtiLite provides a utility application called [uResourceGenerator](#) to generate resources to include in an executable. For example:

```
$ ./uresourcegenerator DatabaseSchema.sql
```

This will generate a HEX file "DatabaseSchema\_sql.h" which can be included in source files. Data of the file is global and can be accessed by the generated const char \* DATABASESCHEMA\_SQL.

```
#include "DatabaseSchema_sql.h"
...
std::string hex = DATABASESCHEMA_SQL;
// Assuming there are only ASCII characters, we can directly convert to a
    string:
std::string schema = uHex2Str(hex);
// For binary data:
std::vector<char> bytes = uHex2Bytes(hex);
```

A generated [FindUtiLite.cmake](#) is also provided for easy linking with the library.

### 1.2 ULogger

The [ULogger](#) can be used anywhere in the application to log messages (formatted like a printf). The logger can be set ([ULogger::setType\(\)](#)) to print in a file or in the console (with colors depending on the severity). Convenient macros are given, working like a printf(), as [UDEBAG\(\)](#), [UINFO\(\)](#), [UWARN\(\)](#), [UERROR\(\)](#), [UFATAL\(\)](#). Small example:

```
...
```

```
UINFO("A simple message with number %d", 42);
UDEBUG("A debug message");
...
```

This will print: [Severity] (Time) File:Line:Function() "The message"

```
[ INFO] (2010-09-25 18:08:20) main.cpp:18::main() A simple message with number
42
[DEBUG] (2010-09-25 18:08:20) main.cpp:18::main() A debug message
```

### 1.3 UEventsManager, UEventsHandler, UEvent

The events-based communication framework helps to communicate between objects/threads. The [UEventsManager](#) is a singleton with which we can post events anywhere in the application by calling [UEventsManager::post\(\)](#). All [UEventsHandler](#) will then receive the event with their protected function [UEventsHandler::handleEvent\(\)](#). Handlers are added to [UEventsManager](#) by calling [UEventsManager::addHandler\(\)](#). The [UEvent](#) provides an abstract class to implement any event implementations. The only requirement is that the event must implement [UEvent::getClassName\(\)](#) to know the event's type.

```
...
MyHandler handler; // MyHandler is an implementation of UEventsHandler
UEventsManager::addHandler(&handler);
UEventsManager::post(new MyEvent()); // MyEvent is an implementation of UEvent
// The UEventsHandler::handleEvent() of "handler" will then be called by the
// UEventsManager's events dispatching thread.
...
```

Look at the **full example** in page of [UEventsHandler](#) on how communication works with threads ([UThreadNode](#)).

### 1.4 UThreadNode, UMutex, USemaphore

The multi-threading framework use a [UThreadNode](#) as an abstract class to implement a thread in object-style. Reimplement [UThreadNode::mainLoop\(\)](#) then call [UThreadNode::start\(\)](#) to start the main loop of the thread. Threads can be joined by calling [UThreadNode::join\(\)](#) and killed by calling [UThreadNode::kill\(\)](#). Classes [UMutex](#) and [USemaphore](#) provide blocking mechanisms to protect data between threads.

```
...
MyThread t; // MyThread is an implementation of UThreadNode
t.start();
t.join(); // Wait the thread to finish
...
```

### 1.5 UTimer

A useful class to compute processing time:

- [UTimer::start\(\)](#),

- [UTimer::ticks\(\)](#),
- [UTimer::getInterval\(\)](#),
- [UTimer::now\(\)](#).

## 1.6 UDirectory, UFile

For files and directories manipulations :

- [UFile::exists\(\)](#),
- [UFile::length\(\)](#),
- [UFile::rename\(\)](#),
- [UFile::erase\(\)](#),
- [UDirectory::exists\(\)](#),
- [UDirectory::getFileNames\(\)](#),
- [UDirectory::makeDir\(\)](#),
- [UDirectory::removeDir\(\)](#),
- [UDirectory::currentDir\(\)](#),
- [UDirectory::homeDir\(\)](#),

## 1.7 Convenient use of STL

The library provides some simple wrappers of the STL like:

- [uUniqueKeys\(\)](#) to get unique keys from a `std::multimap`,
- [uKeys\(\)](#) to get all keys of a `std::multimap` or `std::map`,
- [uValues\(\)](#) to get all values of a `std::multimap` or `std::map`,
- [uValue\(\)](#) to get the value of a key (with a default argument if the key is not found),
- [uTake\(\)](#) to take the value of a key (with a default argument if the key is not found),
- [uIteratorAt\(\)](#) to get iterator at a specified position in a `std::list`,
- [uValueAt\(\)](#) to get value at a specified position in a `std::list`,
- [uContains\(\)](#) to know if a key/value exists in a `std::multimap`, `std::map`, `std::list`,
- [uInsert\(\)](#) to insert a value in a `std::map` and overwriting the value if the key already exists,

- [uListToVector\(\)](#),
- [uVectorToList\(\)](#),
- [uAppend\(\)](#) to append a list to another list,
- [uIndexOf\(\)](#) to get index of a value in a `std::list`,
- [uSplit\(\)](#) to split a string into a `std::list` of strings on the specified separator.

## 1.8 Basic mathematic operations

A library of basic array manipulations:

- [uMax\(\)](#),
- [uSign\(\)](#),
- [uSum\(\)](#),
- [uMean\(\)](#),
- [uStdDev\(\)](#),
- [uNorm\(\)](#),
- [uNormalize\(\)](#),
- [uXCorr\(\)](#).

## 1.9 Conversion

A library of convenient functions to convert some data into another like:

- [uReplaceChar\(\)](#),
- [uToUpperCase\(\)](#),
- [uToLowerCase\(\)](#),
- [uNumber2Str\(\)](#),
- [uBool2Str\(\)](#),
- [uStr2Bool\(\)](#),
- [uBytes2Hex\(\)](#),
- [uHex2Bytes\(\)](#),
- [uHex2Bytes\(\)](#),
- [uHex2Str\(\)](#),



- [uHex2Ascii\(\)](#),
- [uAscii2Hex\(\)](#),
- [uFormatv\(\)](#),
- [uFormat\(\)](#).

## 1.10 UProcessInfo

This class can be used to get the process memory usage: [UProcessInfo::getMemoryUsage\(\)](#).



## Chapter 2

# uResourceGenerator

Utilite provides a utility application called [uResourceGenerator](#) to generate resources to include in an executable. For example:

```
$ ./uresourcegenerator DatabaseSchema.sql
```

This will generate a HEX file "DatabaseSchema\_sql.h" which can be included in source files. Data of the file is global and can be accessed by the generated const char \* DATABASESCHEMA\_SQL.

```
#include "DatabaseSchema_sql.h"
...
std::string hex = DATABASESCHEMA_SQL;
// Assuming there are only ASCII characters, we can directly convert to a
    string:
std::string schema = uHex2Str(hex);
// For binary data:
std::vector<char> bytes = uHex2Bytes(hex);
```

The generator can be automated in a CMake build like:

```
ADD_CUSTOM_COMMAND (
    OUTPUT ${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/DatabaseSchema_sql.h
    COMMAND ${URESOURCEGENERATOR_EXEC} -n my_namespace -p ${
        CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR} ${CMAKE_CURRENT_SOURCE_DIR}/DatabaseSchema.sql
    COMMENT "[Creating database resource]"
    DEPENDS ${CMAKE_CURRENT_SOURCE_DIR}/DatabaseSchema.sql
)
SET (RESOURCES
    ${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/DatabaseSchema_sql.h
)
ADD_LIBRARY (mylib ${SRC_FILES} ${RESOURCES})
ADD_EXECUTABLE (myexecutable ${SRC_FILES} ${RESOURCES})
```

The variable URESOURCEGENERATOR\_EXEC is set when FIND\_PACKAGE(Utilite) is done, you would need to add [FindUtilite.cmake](#).



## Chapter 3

# FindUtilite.cmake

Utilite provides a generated [FindUtilite.cmake](#) for easy linking with the library. Here is an example but you should take the one in the build folder of the library.

```
# - Find UTILITE
# This module finds an installed UTILITE package.
#
# It sets the following variables:
# UTILITE_FOUND           - Set to false, or undefined, if UTILITE isn't
#                           found.
# UTILITE_INCLUDE_DIRS    - The UTILITE include directory.
# UTILITE_LIBRARIES        - The UTILITE library to link against.
# URESOURCEGENERATOR_EXEC - The resource generator tool executable
#
#

SET(UTILITE_VERSION_REQUIRED 0.2.13)

SET(UTILITE_ROOT)

# Add ROS Utilite directory if ROS is installed
FIND_PROGRAM(ROSPACK_EXEC NAME rospack PATHS)
IF(ROSPACK_EXEC)
    EXECUTE_PROCESS(COMMAND ${ROSPACK_EXEC} find utilite
                    OUTPUT_VARIABLE UTILITE_ROS_PATH
                    OUTPUT_STRIP_TRAILING_WHITESPACE
                    WORKING_DIRECTORY "./"
    )
    IF(UTILITE_ROS_PATH)
        MESSAGE(STATUS "Found Utilite ROS pkg : ${UTILITE_ROS_PATH}")
        SET(UTILITE_ROOT
            ${UTILITE_ROS_PATH}/utilite
            ${UTILITE_ROOT}
        )
    ENDIF(UTILITE_ROS_PATH)
ENDIF(ROSPACK_EXEC)

FIND_PROGRAM(URESOURCEGENERATOR_EXEC NAME uresourcegenerator PATHS
    ${UTILITE_ROOT}/bin)
IF(URESOURCEGENERATOR_EXEC)
    EXECUTE_PROCESS(COMMAND ${URESOURCEGENERATOR_EXEC} -v
                    OUTPUT_VARIABLE UTILITE_VERSION
                    OUTPUT_STRIP_TRAILING_WHITESPACE
    )
ENDIF(URESOURCEGENERATOR_EXEC)
```

```

)

        WORKING_DIRECTORY "."

)

IF (UTILITE_VERSION VERSION_LESS UTILITE_VERSION_REQUIRED)
    IF (Utilite_FIND_REQUIRED)
        MESSAGE(FATAL_ERROR "Your version of Utilite is too old (${
UTILITE_VERSION}), Utilite ${UTILITE_VERSION_REQUIRED} is required.")
    ENDIF (Utilite_FIND_REQUIRED)
ENDIF (UTILITE_VERSION VERSION_LESS UTILITE_VERSION_REQUIRED)

IF (WIN32)
    FIND_PATH(UTILITE_INCLUDE_DIRS
                utilite/UEventsManager.h
                PATH_SUFFIXES "../include")

    FIND_LIBRARY(UTILITE_LIBRARIES NAMES utilite
                PATH_SUFFIXES "../lib")

ELSE ()
    FIND_PATH(UTILITE_INCLUDE_DIRS
                utilite/UEventsManager.h
                PATHS ${UTILITE_ROOT}/include)

    FIND_LIBRARY(UTILITE_LIBRARIES
                NAMES utilite
                PATHS ${UTILITE_ROOT}/lib)

ENDIF ()

IF (UTILITE_INCLUDE_DIRS AND UTILITE_LIBRARIES)
    SET(UTILITE_FOUND TRUE)
ENDIF (UTILITE_INCLUDE_DIRS AND UTILITE_LIBRARIES)
ENDIF (RESOURCEGENERATOR_EXEC)

IF (UTILITE_FOUND)
    # show which UTILITE was found only if not quiet
    IF (NOT Utilite_FIND_QUIETLY)
        MESSAGE(STATUS "Found Utilite ${UTILITE_VERSION}")
    ENDIF (NOT Utilite_FIND_QUIETLY)
ELSE ()
    # fatal error if UTILITE is required but not found
    IF (Utilite_FIND_REQUIRED)
        MESSAGE(FATAL_ERROR "Could not find Utilite. Verify your PATH if it is
already installed or download it at http://utilite.googlecode.com")
    ENDIF (Utilite_FIND_REQUIRED)
ENDIF ()

```

## Chapter 4

# Deprecated List

Member **ULogger::write** (const char \*msg,...)

use [UDEBUG\(\)](#), [UINFO\(\)](#), [UWARN\(\)](#), [UERROR\(\)](#) or [UFATAL\(\)](#)





## Chapter 5

# Class Index

### 5.1 Class Hierarchy

This inheritance list is sorted roughly, but not completely, alphabetically:

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## Chapter 8

# Class Documentation

### 8.1 UConsoleLogger Class Reference

Inherits [ULogger](#).

#### Friends

- class [ULogger](#)

#### 8.1.1 Detailed Description

This class is used to write logs in the console. This class cannot be directly used, use [ULogger::setType\(\)](#) to console type to print in console and use macro [UDEBUG\(\)](#), [UINFO\(\)](#)... to print messages.

#### See also

[ULogger](#)

#### 8.1.2 Friends And Related Function Documentation

##### 8.1.2.1 friend class **ULogger** `[friend]`

Only the Logger can create inherited loggers according to the Abstract factory patterns.  
The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- `src/ULogger.cpp`

## 8.2 UDestroyer< T > Class Template Reference

```
#include <UDestroyer.h>
```

### Public Member Functions

- [UDestroyer](#) (T \*doomed=0)
- bool [setDoomed](#) (T \*doomed)

### 8.2.1 Detailed Description

```
template<class T>class UDestroyer< T >
```

This class is used to delete a dynamically created objects. It was mainly designed to remove dynamically created Singleton. Created on the stack of a Singleton, when the application is finished, his destructor make sure that the Singleton is deleted.

### 8.2.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

8.2.2.1 `template<class T> UDestroyer< T >::UDestroyer ( T * doomed = 0 )`  
`[inline]`

The constructor. Set the doomed object (take ownership of the object). The object is deleted when this object is deleted.

### 8.2.3 Member Function Documentation

8.2.3.1 `template<class T> bool UDestroyer< T >::setDoomed ( T * doomed )`  
`[inline]`

Set the doomed object. If a doomed object is already set, the function returns false.

#### Parameters

<i>doomed</i>	the doomed object
---------------	-------------------

#### Returns

false if an object is already set and the new object is not null, otherwise true

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- include/utilite/UDestroyer.h



## 8.3 UDirectory Class Reference

```
#include <UDirectory.h>
```

### Public Member Functions

- [UDirectory](#) (const std::string &path, const std::string &extensions="")
- void [update](#) ()
- bool [isValid](#) ()
- std::string [getNextFileName](#) ()
- const std::list< std::string > & [getFileNames](#) () const
- void [rewind](#) ()

### Static Public Member Functions

- static bool [exists](#) (const std::string &dirPath)
- static std::string [getDir](#) (const std::string &filePath)
- static std::string [currentDir](#) (bool trailingSeparator=false)
- static bool [makeDir](#) (const std::string &dirPath)
- static bool [removeDir](#) (const std::string &dirPath)
- static std::string [homeDir](#) ()

#### 8.3.1 Detailed Description

Class [UDirectory](#).

This class can be used to get file names in a directory.

#### 8.3.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

**8.3.2.1** [UDirectory::UDirectory](#) ( const std::string & *path*, const std::string & *extensions* = " " )

Create a [UDirectory](#) object with path initialized to an existing "path" and with filter "extensions".

##### Parameters

<i>path</i>	the path to an existing directory
<i>extensions</i>	filter to get only file names with the extensions specified, format is a list of extensions separated by a space: "jpg bmp" get only file names finishing by jpg or bmp.

#### 8.3.3 Member Function Documentation

**8.3.3.1** `std::string UDirectory::currentDir ( bool trailingSeparator = false )`  
[static]

Get the current directory.

**Parameters**

<i>trailing-Separator</i>	If true, a '/' is added to the path.
---------------------------	--------------------------------------

**Returns**

the current directory

**8.3.3.2** `bool UDirectory::exists ( const std::string & dirPath )` [static]

Check if a directory exists.

**Parameters**

<i>dirPath</i>	the directory path
----------------	--------------------

**Returns**

true if the directory exists

**8.3.3.3** `std::string UDirectory::getDir ( const std::string & filePath )` [static]

Get the directory path of a file path.

**Parameters**

<i>filePath</i>	the file path
-----------------	---------------

**Returns**

the directory path of the file

**8.3.3.4** `const std::list<std::string>& UDirectory::getFileNames ( ) const` [inline]

Get all file names.

**See also**

[UDirectory\(\)](#)

**Returns**

all the file names in directory matching the set extensions.

**8.3.3.5 std::string UDirectory::getNextFileName ( )**

Get the next file name.

**Returns**

the next file name

**8.3.3.6 std::string UDirectory::homeDir ( ) [static]**

Return the "home" directory.

**Returns**

the directory path.

**8.3.3.7 bool UDirectory::isValid ( )**

Check is the directory exists.

**Returns**

if directory exists.

**8.3.3.8 bool UDirectory::makeDir ( const std::string & *dirPath* ) [static]**

Make a directory.

**Parameters**

<i>dirPath</i>	the directory path
----------------	--------------------

**Returns**

true on success, false otherwise.

**8.3.3.9 bool UDirectory::removeDir ( const std::string & *dirPath* ) [static]**

Remove a directory.

**Parameters**

<i>dirPath</i>	the directory path
----------------	--------------------

**Returns**

true on success, false otherwise.

**8.3.3.10 void UDirectory::rewind ( )**

Return the pointer of file names to beginning.

**8.3.3.11 void UDirectory::update ( )**

Update indexed file names (if the directory changed).

The documentation for this class was generated from the following files:

- include/utilite/UDirectory.h
- src/UDirectory.cpp

**8.4 UEvent Class Reference**

```
#include <UEvent.h>
```

Inherited by [ULogEvent](#), and [UObjDeletedEvent](#).

**Public Member Functions**

- virtual std::string [getClassName](#) () const =0
- int [getCode](#) () const

**Protected Member Functions**

- [UEvent](#) (int code=0)

**Private Attributes**

- int [code\\_](#)

### 8.4.1 Detailed Description

This is the base class for all events used with the [UEventsManager](#). Inherited classes must redefine the virtual method [getClassName\(\)](#) to return their class name.

Example:

```
class MyEvent : public UEvent
{
public:
    MyEvent() {}
    virtual ~MyEvent() {}
    std::string getClassName() const {return "MyEvent";}
};

int main(int argc, char * argv[])
{
    ...
    UEventsManager::post(new MyEvent()); // UEventsManager take ownership
    // of the event (deleted by UEventsManager).
    ...
}
```

See also

[UEventsManager](#)  
[UEventsHandler](#)  
[getClassName\(\)](#)

### 8.4.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

#### 8.4.2.1 UEvent::UEvent ( int *code* = 0 ) [inline, protected]

Parameters

<i>code</i>	the event code. TODO : Remove the code, not required for most of all implemented events
-------------	---

### 8.4.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 8.4.3.1 virtual std::string UEvent::getClassName ( ) const [pure virtual]

This method is used to get the class name of the event. For example, if a class `MouseEvent` inherits from [UEvent](#), it must return the "MouseEvent" string.

Returns

the class name

Implemented in [ULogEvent](#), and [UObjDeletedEvent](#).

#### 8.4.3.2 `int UEvent::getCode ( ) const` `[inline]`

Get event's code.

##### Returns

the code

### 8.4.4 Member Data Documentation

#### 8.4.4.1 `int UEvent::code_` `[private]`

The event's code.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- `include/utilite/UEvent.h`

## 8.5 UEventDispatcher Class Reference

Inherits [UThreadNode](#).

### Protected Member Functions

- virtual void [mainLoop](#) ()

### Private Member Functions

- virtual void [killCleanup](#) ()

### Friends

- class **UEventsManager**

### 8.5.1 Member Function Documentation

#### 8.5.1.1 `virtual void UEventDispatcher::killCleanup ( )` `[private, virtual]`

Virtual method [killCleanup\(\)](#). User can implement this function to add a behavior before the thread is killed. When this function is called, the state of the thread is set to `kSKilled`. It is useful to wake up a sleeping thread to finish his loop and to avoid a deadlock.

Reimplemented from [UThreadNode](#).

### 8.5.1.2 virtual void UEventDispatcher::mainLoop( ) [protected, virtual]

Pure virtual method [mainLoop\(\)](#). The inner loop of the thread. This method is called repetitively until the thread is killed.

See also

[mainLoop\(\)](#)  
[kill\(\)](#)

Implements [UThreadNode](#).

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- `include/utillite/UEventsManager.h`

## 8.6 UEventsHandler Class Reference

```
#include <UEventsHandler.h>
```

### Protected Member Functions

- virtual void [handleEvent](#) ([UEvent](#) \*event)=0
- [UEventsHandler](#) ()
- virtual [~UEventsHandler](#) ()
- void [post](#) ([UEvent](#) \*event, bool async=true)

### Friends

- class [UEventsManager](#)

### 8.6.1 Detailed Description

The class [UEventsHandler](#) is an abstract class for handling events.

Inherited classes must implement [handleEvent\(\)](#) function, which is called by the [UEventsManager](#) when an event is dispatched. Once the handler is created, it must be added to events manager with [UEventsManager::addHandler\(\)](#) function. Note that it is not safe to automatically add the handler to [UEventsManager](#) in the handler's constructor.

Note for multi-threading: the [handleEvent\(\)](#) method is called inside the [UEventsManager](#) thread. If the inherited class also inherits from [UThreadNode](#), [handleEvent\(\)](#) is done as well outside the thread's main loop, so be careful to protect private data of the thread used in its main loop.

Example for a useful combination of an [UEventsHandler](#) and a [UThreadNode](#), with safe data modification while not blocking the [handleEvent\(\)](#) call on a mutex:

```

#include "utilite/UThreadNode.h"
#include "utilite/UEventsHandler.h"
#include "utilite/UEventsManager.h"
#include "utilite/UEvent.h"

// Implement a simple event
class ResetEvent : public UEvent {
public:
    ResetEvent() {}
    virtual ~ResetEvent() {}
    virtual std::string getClassName() const {return "ResetEvent";} // Must be
        implemented
};

// There is the thread counting indefinitely, the count can be reseted by
    sending a ResetEvent.
class CounterThread : public UThreadNode, public UEventsHandler {
public:
    CounterThread() : state_(0), count_(0) {}
    virtual ~CounterThread() {this->join(true);}

protected:
    virtual void mainLoop() {
        if(state_ == 1) {
            state_ = 0;
            // Do a long initialization, reset memory or other special long
            works... here
            // we reset the count. This could be done in the handleEvent() but
            // with many objects, it is more safe to do it here (in the thread's
            loop). A safe
            // way could be also to use a UMutex to protect this initialization
            in
            // the handleEvent(), but it is not recommended to do long works in
            handleEvent()
            // because this will add latency in the UEventsManager dispatching
            events loop.
            count_ = 0; // Reset the count
            printf("Reset!\n");
        }

        // Do some works...
        printf("count=%d\n", count_++);
        uSleep(100); // wait 100 ms
    }
    virtual void handleEvent(UEvent * event) {
        if(event->getClassName().compare("ResetEvent") == 0) {
            state_ = 1;
        }
    }
private:
    int state_;
    int count_;
};

int main(int argc, char * argv[])
{
    CounterThread counter;
    counter.start();
    UEventsManager::addHandler(&counter);

    uSleep(500); // wait 500 ms before sending a reset event
    UEventsManager::post(new ResetEvent());
}

```



```
    uSleep(500); // wait 500 ms before termination

    UEventsManager::removeHandler(&counter);
    counter.join(true); // Kill and wait to finish
    return 0;
}
```

The output is:

```
count=0
count=1
count=2
count=3
count=4
Reset!
count=0
count=1
count=2
count=3
count=4
```

See also

[UEventsManager](#)  
[UEvent](#)  
[UThreadNode](#)

## 8.6.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

### 8.6.2.1 UEventsHandler::UEventsHandler( ) [inline, protected]

[UEventsHandler](#) constructor.

Note : You can call `EventsManager::addHandler(this)` at the end of the constructor of the inherited class where the virtual method `handleEvent(...)` is defined. If so, the [UEventsHandler](#) doesn't need to be manually added to the `EventsManager` where the handler is instantiated. We decided to not include `UEventsManager::addHandler(this)` in this abstract class constructor because an event can be handled (calling the pure virtual method) while the concrete class is constructed.

### 8.6.2.2 UEventsHandler::~~UEventsHandler( ) [protected, virtual]

[UEventsHandler](#) destructor.

By default, it removes the handler reference from the [UEventsManager](#). To be thread-safe, the inherited class must remove itself from the [UEventsManager](#) before it is deleted because an event can be handled (calling the pure virtual method [handleEvent\(\)](#)) after the concrete class is deleted.

## 8.6.3 Member Function Documentation

**8.6.3.1** `virtual void UEventsHandler::handleEvent ( UEvent * event )`  
[protected, pure virtual]

Method called by the [UEventsManager](#) to handle an event. Important : this method must do a minimum of work because the faster the dispatching loop is done; the faster the events are received. If a handling function takes too much time, the events list can grow faster than it is emptied. The event can be modified but must not be deleted.

**8.6.3.2** `void UEventsHandler::post ( UEvent * event, bool async = true )`  
[protected]

For convenience to post an event. This is the same than calling [UEventsManager::post\(\)](#).

## 8.6.4 Friends And Related Function Documentation

**8.6.4.1** `friend class UEventsManager` [friend]

Only the [UEventsManager](#) has access to the [handleEvent\(\)](#) method.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following files:

- include/utilite/UEventsHandler.h
- src/UEventsHandler.cpp

## 8.7 UEventsManager Class Reference

```
#include <UEventsManager.h>
```

Inherits [UThreadNode](#).

### Static Public Member Functions

- static void [addHandler](#) ([UEventsHandler](#) \*handler)
- static void [removeHandler](#) ([UEventsHandler](#) \*handler)
- static void [post](#) ([UEvent](#) \*event, bool async=true)

### Protected Member Functions

- virtual void [mainLoop](#) ()

### Private Member Functions

- virtual void [killCleanup](#) ()

## Friends

- class **UDestroyer**< **UEventsManager** >

### 8.7.1 Detailed Description

This class is used to post events between threads in the application. It is Thread-Safe and the events are sent to receivers in the same order they are posted (FIFO). It works like the design pattern Mediator. It is also a Singleton, so it can be used anywhere in the application.

To send an event, use [UEventsManager::post\(\)](#). Events are automatically deleted after they are posted.

The EventsManager have a list of handlers to which it sends posted events. To add an handler, use [UEventsManager::addHandler\(\)](#). To remove, use [UEventsManager::removeHandler\(\)](#).

```
// Anywhere in the code:
UEventsManager::post(new MyEvent()); // where MyEvent is an implemented
UEvent
```

#### See also

[UEvent](#)  
[UEventsHandler](#)  
[post\(\)](#)  
[addHandler\(\)](#)  
[removeHandler\(\)](#)

### 8.7.2 Member Function Documentation

**8.7.2.1** void **UEventsManager::addHandler** ( **UEventsHandler** \* *handler* )  
 [static]

This method is used to add an events handler to the list of handlers.

#### Parameters

<i>handler</i>	the handler to be added.
----------------	--------------------------

**8.7.2.2** void **UEventsManager::killCleanup** ( ) [private, virtual]

Reimplemented to wake up [UEventsManager](#) on termination.

Reimplemented from [UThreadNode](#).

### 8.7.2.3 void UEventsManager::mainLoop ( ) [protected, virtual]

The [UEventsManager](#)'s main loop.

Implements [UThreadNode](#).

### 8.7.2.4 void UEventsManager::post ( UEvent \* event, bool async = true ) [static]

This method is used to post an event to handlers.

Event can be posted asynchronously or not. In the first case, the event is dispatched by the [UEventsManager](#)'s thread. In the second case, the event is handled immediately by event's receivers, thus in the sender thread.

#### Parameters

<i>event</i>	the event to be posted.
<i>async</i>	if true, the event is dispatched by the <a href="#">UEventsManager</a> thread, otherwise it's in the caller thread (synchronous).

### 8.7.2.5 void UEventsManager::removeHandler ( UEventsHandler \* handler ) [static]

This method is used to remove an events handler from the list of handlers.

#### Parameters

<i>handler</i>	the handler to be removed.
----------------	----------------------------

The documentation for this class was generated from the following files:

- include/utilite/UEventsManager.h
- src/UEventsManager.cpp

## 8.8 UFile Class Reference

```
#include <UFile.h>
```

### Public Member Functions

- [UFile](#) (const std::string &path)
- bool [isValid](#) ()
- bool [exists](#) ()
- long [length](#) ()
- int [rename](#) (const std::string &newName)

- std::string [getName](#) ()
- std::string [getExtension](#) ()

### Static Public Member Functions

- static bool [exists](#) (const std::string &filePath)
- static long [length](#) (const std::string &filePath)
- static int [erase](#) (const std::string &filePath)
- static int [rename](#) (const std::string &oldFilePath, const std::string &newFilePath)
- static std::string [getName](#) (const std::string &filePath)

### 8.8.1 Detailed Description

Class [UFile](#).

This class can be used to modify/erase files on hard drive.

### 8.8.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

#### 8.8.2.1 UFile::UFile ( const std::string & *path* ) [inline]

Create a [UFile](#) object with path initialized to an existing file .

##### Parameters

<i>path</i>	the path to an existing file
-------------	------------------------------

### 8.8.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 8.8.3.1 int UFile::erase ( const std::string & *filePath* ) [static]

Erase a file.

##### Parameters

<i>filePath</i>	the file path
-----------------	---------------

##### Returns

0 if success.

#### 8.8.3.2 bool UFile::exists ( const std::string & *filePath* ) [static]

Check if a file exists.

## Parameters

<i>filePath</i>	the file path
-----------------	---------------

## Returns

true if the file exists, otherwise false.

**8.8.3.3** `bool UFile::exists ( ) [inline]`

Check if the file exists.

## Returns

true if the path exists

**8.8.3.4** `std::string UFile::getExtension ( ) [inline]`

Get the file extension.

## Returns

the file extension

**8.8.3.5** `std::string UFile::getName ( const std::string & filePath ) [static]`

Get the file name from a file path (with extension).

## Parameters

<i>filePath</i>	the file path
-----------------	---------------

## Returns

the file name.

**8.8.3.6** `std::string UFile::getName ( ) [inline]`

Get the file name without the path.

## Returns

the file name

**8.8.3.7** `bool UFile::isValid ( ) [inline]`

Check if the file exists. Same as [exists\(\)](#).

**Returns**

true if the path exists

**8.8.3.8** `long UFile::length ( const std::string & filePath ) [static]`

Get the file length.

**Parameters**

<i>filePath</i>	the file path
-----------------	---------------

**Returns**

long the length of the file in bytes. Return -1 if the file doesn't exist.

**8.8.3.9** `long UFile::length ( ) [inline]`

Get the length of the file.

**Returns**

long the length of the file in bytes. Return -1 if the file doesn't exist.

**8.8.3.10** `int UFile::rename ( const std::string & oldFilePath, const std::string & newFilePath )  
[static]`

Rename a file.

**Parameters**

<i>oldFilePath</i>	the old file path
<i>newFilePath</i>	the new file path

**Returns**

0 if success.

**8.8.3.11** `int UFile::rename ( const std::string & newName ) [inline]`

Rename the file name. The path stays the same.

## Parameters

<i>the</i>	new name
------------	----------

The documentation for this class was generated from the following files:

- include/utilite/UFile.h
- src/UFile.cpp

## 8.9 UFileLogger Class Reference

Inherits [ULogger](#).

### Protected Member Functions

- [UFileLogger](#) (const std::string &fileName, bool append)

### Private Attributes

- std::string [fileName\\_](#)  
*the file name*

### Friends

- class [ULogger](#)

#### 8.9.1 Detailed Description

This class is used to write logs in a file. This class cannot be directly used, use [ULogger::setType\(\)](#) to file type to print in a file and use macro [UDEBAG\(\)](#), [UINFO\(\)](#)... to print messages.

See also

[ULogger](#)

#### 8.9.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

**8.9.2.1 UFileLogger::UFileLogger ( const std::string & *fileName*, bool *append* )**  
[inline, protected]

The [UFileLogger](#) constructor.



## Parameters

<i>fileName</i>	the file name
<i>append</i>	if true append logs in the file, otherwise it overrides the file.

### 8.9.3 Friends And Related Function Documentation

#### 8.9.3.1 friend class ULogger [friend]

Only the Logger can create inherited loggers according to the Abstract factory patterns.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- src/ULogger.cpp

## 8.10 ULogEvent Class Reference

```
#include <ULogger.h>
```

Inherits [UEvent](#).

### Public Member Functions

- [ULogEvent](#) (const std::string &msg, int level)
- const std::string & [getMsg](#) () const
- virtual std::string [getClassName](#) () const

#### 8.10.1 Detailed Description

This class is used by the [ULogger](#) to send logged messages like events. Messages with level over the event level set in [ULogger::setEventLevel\(\)](#) are sent like [ULogEvent](#) with the message and its level. The default event level of [ULogger](#) is kFatal (see [ULogger::Level](#)).

### 8.10.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

#### 8.10.2.1 ULogEvent::ULogEvent ( const std::string & msg, int level ) [inline]

[ULogEvent](#) constructor. Note that to retrieve the message level, use [UEvent::getCode\(\)](#).

## Parameters

<i>msg</i>	the message already formatted to a full string.
<i>level</i>	the severity of the message,

See also

[ULogger::Level](#).

### 8.10.3 Member Function Documentation

8.10.3.1 `virtual std::string ULogEvent::getClassName ( ) const` `[inline, virtual]`

Returns

string "ULogEvent"

Implements [UEvent](#).

8.10.3.2 `const std::string& ULogEvent::getMsg ( ) const` `[inline]`

Get the message from the event.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- `include/utilite/ULogger.h`

## 8.11 ULogger Class Reference

```
#include <ULogger.h>
```

Inherited by [UConsoleLogger](#), and [UFileLogger](#).

### Public Types

- enum [Type](#)
- enum [Level](#)

### Static Public Member Functions

- static void [setType](#) ([Type](#) type, const std::string &fileName=[kDefaultLogFileName](#), bool append=true)
- static void [setPrintTime](#) (bool printTime)
- static void [setPrintLevel](#) (bool printLevel)
- static void [setPrintEndline](#) (bool printEndline)
- static void [setPrintWhere](#) (bool printWhere)
- static void [setPrintWhereFullPath](#) (bool printWhereFullPath)
- static void [setBuffered](#) (bool buffered)
- static void [setLevel](#) ([ULogger::Level](#) level)
- static void [setExitLevel](#) ([ULogger::Level](#) exitLevel)

- static void [setEventLevel](#) ([ULogger::Level](#) eventSentLevel)
- static void [reset](#) ()
- static void [flush](#) ()
- static void [write](#) (const char \*msg,...)
- static int [getTime](#) (std::string &timeStr)

### Static Public Attributes

- static const std::string [kDefaultLogFileName](#) = "./ULog.txt"

### Friends

- class [UDestroyer](#)< [ULogger](#) >

#### 8.11.1 Detailed Description

This class is used to log messages with time on a console, in a file and/or with an event. At the start of the application, call [ULogger::setType\(\)](#) with the type of the logger you want (see [ULogger::Type](#), the type of the output can be changed at the run-time.). To use it, simply call the convenient macros [UDEBUG\(\)](#), [UINFO\(\)](#), [UWARN\(\)](#), [UERROR\(\)](#), [UFATAL\(\)](#) depending of the severity of the message. You can disable some messages by setting the logger level [ULogger::setLevel\(\)](#) to severity you want, defined by [ULogger::Level](#). A fatal message will make the application to exit, printing the message on console (whatever the logger type) and posting a [ULogEvent](#) (synchronously... see [UEventsManager::post\(\)](#)) before exiting.

The display of the logged messages can be modified:

- If you don't want the level label, set [ULogger::setPrintLevel\(\)](#) to false.
- If you don't want the time label, set [ULogger::setPrintTime\(\)](#) to false.
- If you don't want the end of line added, set [ULogger::setPrintEndline\(\)](#) to false.
- If you don't the full path of the message, set [ULogger::setPrintWhereFullPath\(\)](#) to false.
- If you don't the path of the message, set [ULogger::setPrintWhere\(\)](#) to false.

When using a file logger ([kTypeLogger](#)), it can be useful in some application to buffer messages before writing them to hard drive (avoiding hard drive latencies). You can set [ULogger::setBuffered\(\)](#) to true to do that. When the buffered messages will be written to file on application exit ([ULogger](#) destructor) or when [ULogger::flush\(\)](#) is called.

If you want the application to exit on a lower severity level than [kFatal](#), you can set [ULogger::setExitLevel\(\)](#) to any [ULogger::Type](#) you want.

Example:

```
#include <utilite/ULogger.h>
int main(int argc, char * argv[])
{
    // Set the logger type. The choices are kTypeConsole,
    // kTypeFile or kTypeNoLog (nothing is logged).
    ULogger::setType(ULogger::kTypeConsole);

    // Set the logger severity level (kDebug, kInfo, kWarning, kError, kFatal).
    // All log entries under the severity level are not logged. Here,
    // only debug messages are not logged.
    ULogger::setLevel(ULogger::kInfo);

    // Use a predefined Macro to easy logging. It can be
    // called anywhere in the application as the logger is
    // a Singleton.
    UDEBUG("This message won't be logged because the "
           "severity level of the logger is set to kInfo.");

    UINFO("This message is logged.");

    UWARN("A warning message...");

    UERROR("An error message with code %d.", 42);

    return 0;
}
```

#### Output:

```
[ INFO] (2010-09-25 18:08:20) main.cpp:18::main() This message is logged.
[ WARN] (2010-09-25 18:08:20) main.cpp:20::main() A warning message...
[ERROR] (2010-09-25 18:08:20) main.cpp:22::main() An error message with code
42.
```

Another useful form of the [ULogger](#) is to use it with the [UTimer](#) class. Here an example:

```
#include <utilite/ULogger.h>
#include <utilite/UTimer.h>
...
UTimer timer; // automatically starts
// do some works for part A
UINFO("Time for part A = %f s", timer.ticks());
// do some works for part B
UINFO("Time for part B = %f s", timer.ticks());
// do some works for part C
UINFO("Time for part C = %f s", timer.ticks());
...
```

#### See also

[setType\(\)](#)  
[setLevel\(\)](#)  
[UDEBUG\(\)](#), [UINFO\(\)](#), [UWARN\(\)](#), [UERROR\(\)](#), [UFATAL\(\)](#)

## 8.11.2 Member Enumeration Documentation

### 8.11.2.1 enum ULogger::Level

Logger levels, from lowest severity to highest:

`kDebug, kInfo, kWarning, kError, kFatal`

### 8.11.2.2 enum ULogger::Type

Loggers available:

`kTypeNoLog, kTypeConsole, kTypeFile`

## 8.11.3 Member Function Documentation

### 8.11.3.1 void ULogger::flush ( ) [static]

Flush buffered messages.

See also

[setBuffered\(\)](#)

### 8.11.3.2 int ULogger::getTime ( std::string & timeStr ) [static]

Get the time in the format "2008-7-13 12:23:44".

Parameters

<i>timeStr</i>	string where the time will be copied.
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Returns

the number of characters written, or 0 if an error occurred.

### 8.11.3.3 void ULogger::reset ( ) [static]

Reset to default parameters.

### 8.11.3.4 void ULogger::setBuffered ( bool buffered ) [static]

Set if the logger buffers messages, default false. When true, the messages are buffered until the application is closed or [ULogger::flush\(\)](#) is called.

See also

[ULogger::flush\(\)](#)

## Parameters

<i>buffered</i>	true to buffer messages, otherwise set to false.
-----------------	--

**8.11.3.5** `static void ULogger::setEventLevel ( ULogger::Level eventSentLevel )`  
`[inline, static]`

An [ULogEvent](#) is sent on each message logged at the specified level. Note : On message with level  $\geq$  `exitLevel`, the event is sent synchronously (see [UEventsManager::post\(\)](#)).

## See also

[ULogEvent](#)  
[setExitLevel\(\)](#)

**8.11.3.6** `static void ULogger::setExitLevel ( ULogger::Level exitLevel )` `[inline, static]`

Make application to exit when a log with level is written (useful for debugging). The message is printed to console (whatever the logger type) and an [ULogEvent](#) is sent (synchronously... see [UEventsManager::post\(\)](#)) before exiting.

Note : A `kFatal` level will always exit whatever the level specified here.

**8.11.3.7** `static void ULogger::setLevel ( ULogger::Level level )` `[inline, static]`

Set logger level: default `kInfo`. All messages over the severity set are printed, other are ignored. The severity is from the lowest to highest:

- `kDebug`
- `kInfo`
- `kWarning`
- `kError`
- `kFatal`

## Parameters

<i>level</i>	the minimum level of the messages printed.
--------------	--

**8.11.3.8** `static void ULogger::setPrintEndline ( bool printEndline )` [`inline`, `static`]

Print end of line: default true.

Parameters

<i>printLevel</i>	true to print end of line, otherwise set to false.
-------------------	--

**8.11.3.9** `static void ULogger::setPrintLevel ( bool printLevel )` [`inline`, `static`]

Print level: default true.

Parameters

<i>printLevel</i>	true to print level, otherwise set to false.
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**8.11.3.10** `static void ULogger::setPrintTime ( bool printTime )` [`inline`, `static`]

Print time: default true.

Parameters

<i>printTime</i>	true to print time, otherwise set to false.
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**8.11.3.11** `static void ULogger::setPrintWhere ( bool printWhere )` [`inline`, `static`]

Print where is this message in source code: default true.

Parameters

<i>printWhere</i>	true to print where, otherwise set to false.
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**8.11.3.12** `static void ULogger::setPrintWhereFullPath ( bool printWhereFullPath )` [`inline`, `static`]

Print the full path: default true. [ULogger::setPrintWhere\(\)](#) must be true to have path printed.

Parameters

<i>printWhere- FullPath</i>	true to print the full path, otherwise set to false.
---------------------------------	--

**8.11.3.13** `void ULogger::setType ( Type type, const std::string & fileName = kDefaultLogFileName, bool append = true ) [static]`

Set the type of the logger. When using `kTypeFile`, the parameter "fileName" would be changed (default is `"/ULog.txt"`), and optionally "append" if we want the logger to append messages to file or to overwrite the file.

#### Parameters

<i>type</i>	the <a href="#">ULogger::Type</a> of the logger.
<i>fileName</i>	file name used with a file logger type.
<i>append</i>	if true, the file isn't overwritten, otherwise it is.

TODO : Can it be useful to have 2 or more types at the same time ? Print in console and file at the same time.

**8.11.3.14** `void ULogger::write ( const char * msg, ... ) [static]`

Write a message directly to logger without level handling.

#### Parameters

<i>msg</i>	the message to write.
<i>...</i>	the variable arguments

**Deprecated** use [UDEBAG\(\)](#), [UINFO\(\)](#), [UWARN\(\)](#), [UERROR\(\)](#) or [UFATAL\(\)](#)

## 8.11.4 Member Data Documentation

**8.11.4.1** `const std::string ULogger::kDefaultLogFileName = "/ULog.txt" [static]`

The default log file name.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following files:

- `include/utilite/ULogger.h`
- `src/ULogger.cpp`

## 8.12 UMutex Class Reference

```
#include <UMutex.h>
```

### Public Member Functions

- [UMutex](#) ()
- `int lock () const`



- int [unlock](#) () const

### 8.12.1 Detailed Description

A mutex class.

On a [lock\(\)](#) call, the calling thread is blocked if the [UMutex](#) was previously locked by another thread. It is unblocked when [unlock\(\)](#) is called.

On Unix (not yet tested on Windows), [UMutex](#) is recursive: the same thread can call multiple times [lock\(\)](#) without being blocked.

Example:

```
UMutex m; // Mutex shared with another thread(s).
...
m.lock();
// Data is protected here from the second thread
// (assuming the second one protects also with the same mutex the same data).
m.unlock();
```

See also

[USemaphore](#)

### 8.12.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

#### 8.12.2.1 UMutex::UMutex ( ) [inline]

The constructor.

### 8.12.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 8.12.3.1 int UMutex::lock ( ) const [inline]

Lock the mutex.

#### 8.12.3.2 int UMutex::unlock ( ) const [inline]

Unlock the mutex.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- include/utilite/UMutex.h

## 8.13 UObjDeletedEvent Class Reference

```
#include <UObjDeletionThread.h>
```

Inherits [UEvent](#).

## Public Member Functions

- virtual std::string [getClassName](#) () const

### 8.13.1 Detailed Description

Event used by [UObjDeletionThread](#) to notify when its object is deleted. It contains the object id used for deletion (can be retrieved by [UEvent::getCode\(\)](#)).

### 8.13.2 Member Function Documentation

8.13.2.1 virtual std::string [UObjDeletedEvent::getClassName](#) ( ) const [inline, virtual]

#### Returns

string "UObjDeletedEvent"

Implements [UEvent](#).

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- include/utilite/UObjDeletionThread.h

## 8.14 UObjDeletionThread< T > Class Template Reference

```
#include <UObjDeletionThread.h>
```

Inherits [UThreadNode](#).

## Public Member Functions

- [UObjDeletionThread](#) (T \*obj, int id=0)
- virtual [~UObjDeletionThread](#) ()
- void [startDeletion](#) (int waitMs=0)
- int [id](#) () const
- void [setObj](#) (T \*obj)

## Private Member Functions

- virtual void [mainLoop](#) ()

### 8.14.1 Detailed Description

```
template<class T>class UObjDeletionThread< T >
```

This class can be used to delete a dynamically created object in another thread. Give the dynamic reference to object to it and it will notify with a [UObjDeletedEvent](#) when the object is deleted. The deletion can be delayed on [startDeletion\(\)](#), the thread will wait the time given before deleting the object.

### 8.14.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

8.14.2.1 `template<class T > UObjDeletionThread< T >::UObjDeletionThread ( T *  
obj, int id = 0 ) [inline]`

The constructor.

#### Parameters

<i>obj</i>	the object to delete
<i>id</i>	the custom id which will be sent in a event <a href="#">UObjDeletedEvent</a> after the object is deleted

8.14.2.2 `template<class T > virtual UObjDeletionThread< T >::~~UObjDeletionThread  
( ) [inline, virtual]`

The destructor. If this thread is not started but with an object set, the object is deleted. If the thread has not finished to delete the object, the calling thread will wait (on a [U-ThreadNode::join\(\)](#)) until the object is deleted.

#### Parameters

<i>obj</i>	the object to delete
<i>id</i>	the custom id which will be sent in a event <a href="#">UObjDeletedEvent</a> after the object is deleted

### 8.14.3 Member Function Documentation

8.14.3.1 `template<class T > int UObjDeletionThread< T >::id ( ) const [inline]`

Get id of the deleted object.

#### Returns

the id

**8.14.3.2** `template<class T> virtual void UObjDeletionThread< T>::mainLoop ( )`  
`[inline, private, virtual]`

Thread main loop...

Implements [UThreadNode](#).

**8.14.3.3** `template<class T> void UObjDeletionThread< T>::setObj ( T * obj )`  
`[inline]`

Set a new object, if one was already set, the old one is deleted.

#### Parameters

<i>obj</i>	the object to delete
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**8.14.3.4** `template<class T> void UObjDeletionThread< T>::startDeletion ( int waitMs`  
`= 0 ) [inline]`

Start the thread after optional delay.

#### Parameters

<i>waitMs</i>	the delay before deletion
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The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- include/utilite/UObjDeletionThread.h

## 8.15 UProcessInfo Class Reference

```
#include <UProcessInfo.h>
```

### Static Public Member Functions

- static long int [getMemoryUsage](#) ()

### 8.15.1 Detailed Description

This class is used to get some informations about the current process.

### 8.15.2 Member Function Documentation

### 8.15.2.1 long int UProcessInfo::getMemoryUsage ( ) [static]

Get the memory used by the current process.

#### Returns

the number of bytes used by the current process.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following files:

- include/utilite/UProcessInfo.h
- src/UProcessInfo.cpp

## 8.16 USemaphore Class Reference

```
#include <USemaphore.h>
```

### Public Member Functions

- [USemaphore](#) (int initValue=0)
- void [acquire](#) (int n=1)
- void [release](#) (int n=1)
- int [value](#) ()

### 8.16.1 Detailed Description

A semaphore class.

On an [acquire\(\)](#) call, the calling thread is blocked if the [USemaphore](#)'s value is  $\leq 0$ . It is unblocked when [release\(\)](#) is called. The function [acquire\(\)](#) decreases by 1 (default) the semaphore's value and [release\(\)](#) increases it by 1 (default).

Example:

```
USemaphore s;  
s.acquire(); // Will wait until s.release() is called by another thread.
```

#### See also

[UMutex](#)

### 8.16.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

#### 8.16.2.1 USemaphore::USemaphore ( int initValue = 0 ) [inline]

The constructor. The semaphore waits on [acquire\(\)](#) when its value is  $\leq 0$ .

## Parameters

<i>n</i>	number to initialize
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## 8.16.3 Member Function Documentation

8.16.3.1 void USemaphore::acquire ( int *n* = 1 ) [inline]

Acquire the semaphore. If semaphore's value is  $\leq 0$ , the calling thread will wait until the count acquired is released.

## See also

[release\(\)](#)

## Parameters

<i>n</i>	number to acquire
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8.16.3.2 void USemaphore::release ( int *n* = 1 ) [inline]

Release the semaphore, increasing its value by 1 and signaling waiting threads (which called [acquire\(\)](#)).

## 8.16.3.3 int USemaphore::value ( ) [inline]

Get the USemaphore's value.

## Returns

the semaphore's value

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- include/utilite/USemaphore.h

## 8.17 UThreadNode Class Reference

```
#include <UThreadNode.h>
```

Inherited by [UEventDispatcher](#), [UEventsManager](#), and [UObjDeletionThread< T >](#).

## Public Types

- enum [Priority](#)

## Public Member Functions

- [UThreadNode](#) ([Priority](#) priority=kPNormal)
- virtual [~UThreadNode](#) ()
- void [start](#) ()
- void [kill](#) ()
- void [join](#) (bool killFirst=false)
- void [setPriority](#) ([Priority](#) priority)
- void [setAffinity](#) (int cpu=0)
- bool [isCreating](#) () const
- bool [isRunning](#) () const
- bool [isIdle](#) () const
- bool [isKilled](#) () const

## Private Member Functions

- virtual void [startInit](#) ()
- virtual void [mainLoop](#) ()=0
- virtual void [killCleanup](#) ()

### 8.17.1 Detailed Description

The class [UThreadNode](#) is an abstract class for creating thread objects. A [UThreadNode](#) provides methods to create threads as an object-style fashion.

For most of inherited classes, only [mainLoop\(\)](#) needs to be implemented, then only [start\(\)](#) needs to be called from the outside. The main loop is called until the thread itself calls [kill\(\)](#) or another thread calls [kill\(\)](#) or [join\(\)](#) (with parameter to true) on this thread. Unlike [kill\(\)](#), [join\(\)](#) is a blocking call: the calling thread will wait until this thread has finished, thus [join\(\)](#) must not be called inside the [mainLoop\(\)](#).

If inside the [mainLoop\(\)](#), at some time, the thread needs to wait on a mutex/semaphore (like for the acquisition of a resource), the function [killCleanup\(\)](#) should be implemented to release the mutex/semaphore when the thread is killed, to avoid a deadlock. The function [killCleanup\(\)](#) is called after the thread's state is set to kSKilled. After the mutex/semaphore is released in [killCleanup\(\)](#), on wake up, the thread can know if it needs to stop by calling [isKilled\(\)](#).

To do an initialization process (executed by the worker thread) just one time before entering the [mainLoop\(\)](#), [startInit\(\)](#) can be implemented.

Example:

```
#include "utilite/UThreadNode.h"
class SimpleThread : public UThreadNode
{
public:
    SimpleThread() {}
    virtual ~SimpleThread() {
        // The calling thread will wait until this thread has finished.
        this->join(true);
    }
};
```

```

    }

protected:
    virtual void mainLoop() {
        // Do some works...

        // This will stop the thread, otherwise the mainLoop() is
        recalled.
        this->kill();
    }
};

int main(int argc, char * argv[])
{
    SimpleThread t;
    t.start();
    t.join(); // Wait until the thread has finished.
    return 0;
}

```

**See also**

[start\(\)](#)  
[startInit\(\)](#)  
[kill\(\)](#)  
[join\(\)](#)  
[killCleanup\(\)](#)  
[mainLoop\(\)](#)

**8.17.2 Member Enumeration Documentation****8.17.2.1 enum UThreadNode::Priority**

Enum of priorities : kPLow, kPBelowNormal, kPNormal, kPAboveNormal, kPRealTime.

**8.17.3 Constructor & Destructor Documentation****8.17.3.1 UThreadNode::UThreadNode ( Priority *priority* = kPNormal )**

The constructor.

**See also**

[Priority](#)

**Parameters**

<i>priority</i>	the thread priority
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### 8.17.3.2 UThreadNode::~~UThreadNode ( ) [virtual]

The destructor. Inherited classes must call `join(true)` inside their destructor to avoid memory leaks where the underlying c-thread is still running.

Note: not safe to delete a thread while other threads are joining it.

## 8.17.4 Member Function Documentation

### 8.17.4.1 bool UThreadNode::isCreating ( ) const

#### Returns

if the state of the thread is `kSCreating` (after `start()` is called but before entering the `mainLoop()`).

### 8.17.4.2 bool UThreadNode::isIdle ( ) const

#### Returns

if the state of the thread is `kSIdle` (before `start()` is called).

### 8.17.4.3 bool UThreadNode::isKilled ( ) const

#### Returns

if the state of the thread is `kSKilled` (after `kill()` is called).

### 8.17.4.4 bool UThreadNode::isRunning ( ) const

#### Returns

if the state of the thread is `kSRunning` (it is executing the `mainLoop()`).

### 8.17.4.5 void UThreadNode::join ( bool *killFirst* = false )

The caller thread will wait until the thread has finished.

Note : blocking call

#### Parameters

<i>killFirst</i>	if you want <code>kill()</code> to be called before joining (default false), otherwise not.
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#### 8.17.4.6 void UThreadNode::kill ( )

Kill the thread. This functions does nothing if the thread is not started or is killed.

Note : not a blocking call

#### 8.17.4.7 virtual void UThreadNode::killCleanup ( ) [inline, private, virtual]

Virtual method [killCleanup\(\)](#). User can implement this function to add a behavior before the thread is killed. When this function is called, the state of the thread is set to kSKilled. It is useful to wake up a sleeping thread to finish his loop and to avoid a deadlock.

Reimplemented in [UEventsManager](#), and [UEventDispatcher](#).

#### 8.17.4.8 virtual void UThreadNode::mainLoop ( ) [private, pure virtual]

Pure virtual method [mainLoop\(\)](#). The inner loop of the thread. This method is called repetitively until the thread is killed.

See also

[mainLoop\(\)](#)  
[kill\(\)](#)

Implemented in [UEventsManager](#), [UObjDeletionThread< T >](#), and [UEventDispatcher](#).

#### 8.17.4.9 void UThreadNode::setAffinity ( int *cpu* = 0 )

Set the thread affinity. This is applied during start of the thread.

MAC OS X : [http://developer.apple.com/library/mac/#releasenotes/Performance/RN-AffinityAPI/\\_index.html](http://developer.apple.com/library/mac/#releasenotes/Performance/RN-AffinityAPI/_index.html).

Parameters

<i>cpu</i>	the cpu id (start at 1), 0 means no affinity (default).
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#### 8.17.4.10 void UThreadNode::setPriority ( Priority *priority* )

Set the thread priority.

Parameters

<i>priority</i>	the priority
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#### 8.17.4.11 void UThreadNode::start ( )

Start the thread. Once the thread is started, subsequent calls to [start\(\)](#) are ignored until the thread is killed.

See also

[kill\(\)](#)

#### 8.17.4.12 virtual void UThreadNode::startInit ( ) [inline, private, virtual]

Virtual method [startInit\(\)](#). User can implement this function to add a behavior before the main loop is started. It is called once.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following files:

- include/utilite/UThreadNode.h
- src/UThreadNode.cpp

## 8.18 UTimer Class Reference

```
#include <UTimer.h>
```

### Public Member Functions

- void [start](#) ()
- void [stop](#) ()
- double [getElapsedTime](#) ()
- double [getInterval](#) ()
- double [ticks](#) ()

### Static Public Member Functions

- static double [now](#) ()

#### 8.18.1 Detailed Description

This class is used to time some codes (in seconds). On Windows, the performance-Counter is used. Example:

```
UTimer timer;
timer.start();
... (do some work)
timer.stop();
int seconds = timer.getInterval();
...
```

## 8.18.2 Member Function Documentation

### 8.18.2.1 `double UTimer::getElapsedTime ( )`

This method is used to get the elapsed time between now and the [start\(\)](#).

#### Returns

double the interval in seconds.

### 8.18.2.2 `double UTimer::getInterval ( )`

This method is used to get the interval time between [stop\(\)](#) and the [start\(\)](#).

#### Returns

double the interval in seconds.

### 8.18.2.3 `double UTimer::now ( ) [static]`

This method is used to get the time of the system right now.

#### Returns

double the time in seconds.

### 8.18.2.4 `void UTimer::start ( )`

This method starts the timer.

### 8.18.2.5 `void UTimer::stop ( )`

This method stops the timer.

### 8.18.2.6 `double UTimer::ticks ( )`

This method is used to get the interval of the timer while it is running. It's automatically stop the timer, get the interval and restart the timer. It's the same of calling [stop\(\)](#), [getInterval\(\)](#) and [start\(\)](#).

#### Returns

double the interval in seconds.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following files:

- include/utilite/UTimer.h
- src/UTimer.cpp

## 8.19 UVariant Class Reference

```
#include <UVariant.h>
```

### 8.19.1 Detailed Description

Experimental class...

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- include/utillite/UVariant.h



## Chapter 9

# File Documentation

### 9.1 include/utilite/UConversion.h File Reference

Some conversion functions.

```
#include "utilite/UtiLiteExp.h" #include <string> #include  
<vector> #include <stdarg.h>
```

#### Functions

- std::string UTILITE\_EXP [uReplaceChar](#) (const std::string &str, char before, char after)
- std::string UTILITE\_EXP [uToUpperCase](#) (const std::string &str)
- std::string UTILITE\_EXP [uToLowerCase](#) (const std::string &str)
- std::string UTILITE\_EXP [uNumber2Str](#) (unsigned int number)
- std::string UTILITE\_EXP [uNumber2Str](#) (int number)
- std::string UTILITE\_EXP [uNumber2Str](#) (float number)
- std::string UTILITE\_EXP [uNumber2Str](#) (double number)
- std::string UTILITE\_EXP [uBool2Str](#) (bool boolean)
- bool UTILITE\_EXP [uStr2Bool](#) (const char \*str)
- std::string UTILITE\_EXP [uBytes2Hex](#) (const char \*bytes, unsigned int bytesLen)
- std::vector< char > UTILITE\_EXP [uHex2Bytes](#) (const std::string &hex)
- std::vector< char > UTILITE\_EXP [uHex2Bytes](#) (const char \*hex, int hexLen)
- std::string UTILITE\_EXP [uHex2Str](#) (const std::string &hex)
- unsigned char UTILITE\_EXP [uHex2Ascii](#) (const unsigned char &c, bool rightPart)
- unsigned char UTILITE\_EXP [uAscii2Hex](#) (const unsigned char &c)
- std::string UTILITE\_EXP [uFormatv](#) (const char \*fmt, va\_list ap)
- std::string UTILITE\_EXP [uFormat](#) (const char \*fmt,...)

### 9.1.1 Detailed Description

Some conversion functions. This contains functions to do some convenient conversion like `uNumber2str()`, `uBytes2Hex()` or `uHex2Bytes()`.

### 9.1.2 Function Documentation

#### 9.1.2.1 `unsigned char UTILITE_EXP uAscii2Hex ( const unsigned char & c )`

Convert an ascii character to an hexadecimal value (right 4 bits). Characters can be in upper or lower case. Example :

```
unsigned char hex = uAscii2Hex('F');
// The results is hex = 0x0F;
```

See also

`hex2ascii`

#### Parameters

<code>c</code>	the ascii character
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#### Returns

the hexadecimal value

#### 9.1.2.2 `std::string UTILITE_EXP uBool2Str ( bool boolean )`

Convert a bool to a string. The format used is "true" and "false".

#### Parameters

<code><i>boolean</i></code>	the boolean to convert in a string
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#### Returns

the string

#### 9.1.2.3 `std::string UTILITE_EXP uBytes2Hex ( const char * bytes, unsigned int bytesLen )`

Convert a bytes array to an hexadecimal string. The resulting string is twice the size of the bytes array. The hexadecimal Characters are in upper case. Example :

```
char bytes[] = {0x3F};
std::string hex = uBytes2Hex(bytes, 1);
// The string constains "3F".
```



## Parameters

<i>bytes</i>	the bytes array
<i>bytesLen</i>	the length of the bytes array

## Returns

the hexadecimal string

**9.1.2.4 std::string UTILITE\_EXP uFormat ( const char \* *fmt*, ... )**

Format a string like printf, and return it as a std::string

**9.1.2.5 std::string UTILITE\_EXP uFormatv ( const char \* *fmt*, va\_list *ap* )**

Format a string like printf, and return it as a std::string

**9.1.2.6 unsigned char UTILITE\_EXP uHex2Ascii ( const unsigned char & *c*, bool *rightPart* )**

Convert hexadecimal (left or right part) value to an ascii character. Example :

```
unsigned char F = uHex2Ascii(0xFA, false);  
unsigned char A = uHex2Ascii(0xFA, true);
```

## See also

ascii2hex

## Parameters

<i>c</i>	the hexadecimal value
<i>rightPart</i>	If we want the character corresponding to the right of left part (4 bits) of the byte value.

## Returns

the ascii character (in upper case)

**9.1.2.7 std::vector<char> UTILITE\_EXP uHex2Bytes ( const std::string & *hex* )**

Convert an hexadecimal string to a bytes array. The string must be pair length. The hexadecimal Characters can be in upper or lower case. Example :

```
std::string hex = "1f3B";  
std::vector<char> bytes = uHex2Bytes(hex);  
// The array contains {0x1F, 0x3B}.
```

**Parameters**

<i>hex</i>	the hexadecimal string
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**Returns**

the bytes array

**9.1.2.8 std::vector<char> UTILITE\_EXP uHex2Bytes ( const char \* *hex*, int *hexLen* )**

Convert an hexadecimal string to a bytes array. The string must be pair length. The hexadecimal Characters can be in upper or lower case. Example :

```
std::vector<char> bytes = uHex2Bytes("1f3B", 4);  
// The array contains {0x1F, 0x3B}.
```

**Parameters**

<i>hex</i>	the hexadecimal string
<i>bytesLen</i>	the hexadecimal string length

**Returns**

the bytes array

**9.1.2.9 std::string UTILITE\_EXP uHex2Str ( const std::string & *hex* )**

Convert an hexadecimal string to an ascii string. A convenient way when using only strings. The hexadecimal str MUST not contains any null values 0x00 ("00"). Think to use of hex2bytes() to handle 0x00 values. Characters can be in upper or lower case. Example :

```
std::string str = uHex2Str("48656C6C4F21");  
// The string contains "Hello!".
```

**See also**

hex2bytes

**Parameters**

<i>hex</i>	the hexadecimal string
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**Returns**

the ascii string

**9.1.2.10 std::string UTILITE\_EXP uNumber2Str ( unsigned int *number* )**

Convert a number (unsigned int) to a string.

**Parameters**

<i>number</i>	the number to convert in a string
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**Returns**

the string

**9.1.2.11 std::string UTILITE\_EXP uNumber2Str ( int *number* )**

Convert a number (int) to a string.

**Parameters**

<i>number</i>	the number to convert in a string
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**Returns**

the string

**9.1.2.12 std::string UTILITE\_EXP uNumber2Str ( float *number* )**

Convert a number (float) to a string.

**Parameters**

<i>number</i>	the number to convert in a string
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**Returns**

the string

**9.1.2.13 std::string UTILITE\_EXP uNumber2Str ( double *number* )**

Convert a number (double) to a string.

**Parameters**

<i>number</i>	the number to convert in a string
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**Returns**

the string

**9.1.2.14** `std::string UTILITE_EXP uReplaceChar ( const std::string & str, char before, char after )`

Replace old characters in a string to new ones. Example :

```
std::string str = "Hello";
uReplaceChar(str, 'l', 'p');
// The results is str = "Heppo";
```

**Parameters**

<i>str</i>	the string
<i>before</i>	the character to be replaced by the new one
<i>after</i>	the new character replacing the old one

**Returns**

the modified string

**9.1.2.15** `bool UTILITE_EXP uStr2Bool ( const char * str )`

Convert a string to a boolean. The format used is : "false", "FALSE" or "0" give false. All others give true.

**Parameters**

<i>str</i>	the string to convert in a boolean
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**Returns**

the boolean

**9.1.2.16** `std::string UTILITE_EXP uToLowerCase ( const std::string & str )`

Transform characters from a string to lower case. Example :

```
std::string str = "HELLO!";
str = uToLowerCase(str, false);
//str is now equal to "hello!"
```

**Parameters**

<i>str</i>	the string
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### Returns

the modified string

#### 9.1.2.17 std::string UTILITE\_EXP uToUpperCase ( const std::string & *str* )

Transform characters from a string to upper case. Example :

```
std::string str = "hello!";
str = uToUpperCase(str);
//str is now equal to "HELLO!"
```

### Parameters

<i>str</i>	the string
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### Returns

the modified string

## 9.2 include/utilite/ULogger.h File Reference

[ULogger](#) class and convenient macros.

```
#include "utilite/UtiLiteExp.h" #include "utilite/UMutex.h"
#include "utilite/UDestroyer.h" #include "utilite/UEvent.h"
#include <stdio.h> #include <time.h> #include <string>
#include <vector> #include <stdarg.h>
```

### Classes

- class [ULogEvent](#)
- class [ULogger](#)

### Defines

- #define [UDEBUG](#)(...) ULOGGER\_DEBUG(\_\_VA\_ARGS\_\_)
- #define [UINFO](#)(...) ULOGGER\_INFO(\_\_VA\_ARGS\_\_)
- #define [UWARN](#)(...) ULOGGER\_WARN(\_\_VA\_ARGS\_\_)
- #define [UERROR](#)(...) ULOGGER\_ERROR(\_\_VA\_ARGS\_\_)
- #define [UFATAL](#)(...) ULOGGER\_FATAL(\_\_VA\_ARGS\_\_)

### 9.2.1 Detailed Description

[ULogger](#) class and convenient macros. This contains macros useful for logging a message anywhere in the application. Once the [ULogger](#) is set, use these macros like a `printf` to print debug messages.

### 9.2.2 Define Documentation

#### 9.2.2.1 `#define UDEBUG( ... ) ULOGGER_DEBUG(__VA_ARGS__)`

Print a debug level message in the logger. Format is the same as a `printf`:

```
UDEBUG("This is a debug message with the number %d", 42);
```

#### 9.2.2.2 `#define UERROR( ... ) ULOGGER_ERROR(__VA_ARGS__)`

Print an error level message in the logger. Format is the same as a `printf`:

```
UERROR("This is an error message with the number %d", 42);
```

#### 9.2.2.3 `#define UFATAL( ... ) ULOGGER_FATAL(__VA_ARGS__)`

Print a fatal error level message in the logger. The application will exit on fatal error. Format is the same as a `printf`:

```
UFATAL("This is a fatal error message with the number %d", 42);
```

#### 9.2.2.4 `#define UINFO( ... ) ULOGGER_INFO(__VA_ARGS__)`

Print a information level message in the logger. Format is the same as a `printf`:

```
UINFO("This is a information message with the number %d", 42);
```

#### 9.2.2.5 `#define UWARN( ... ) ULOGGER_WARN(__VA_ARGS__)`

Print a warning level message in the logger. Format is the same as a `printf`:

```
UWARN("This is a warning message with the number %d", 42);
```

## 9.3 include/utilite/UMath.h File Reference

Basic mathematic functions.

```
#include "utilite/UtiliteExp.h" #include <cmath> #include
<list> #include <vector>
```

## Functions

- `template<class T >`  
`T uMax (const T *v, unsigned int size, unsigned int &index=0)`
- `template<class T >`  
`int uSign (const T &v)`
- `template<class T >`  
`T uSum (const std::list< T > &list)`
- `template<class T >`  
`T uSum (const std::vector< T > &v)`
- `template<class T >`  
`T uSum (const T *v, unsigned int size)`
- `template<class T >`  
`T uMean (const T *v, unsigned int size)`
- `template<class T >`  
`T uMean (const std::list< T > &list)`
- `template<class T >`  
`T uMean (const std::vector< T > &v)`
- `template<class T >`  
`T uStdDev (const T *v, unsigned int size, T meanV)`
- `template<class T >`  
`T uStdDev (const std::list< T > &list, const T &m)`
- `template<class T >`  
`T uStdDev (const T *v, unsigned int size)`
- `template<class T >`  
`T uStdDev (const std::vector< T > &v, const T &m)`
- `float uNorm (const std::vector< float > &v)`
- `std::vector< float > uNormalize (const std::vector< float > &v)`
- `std::vector< float > uXCorr (const float *vA, const float *vB, unsigned int sizeA, unsigned int sizeB)`
- `float uXCorr (const float *vA, const float *vB, unsigned int sizeA, unsigned int sizeB, unsigned int index, float meanA, float meanB, float stdDevAB)`
- `float uXCorr (const float *vA, const float *vB, unsigned int sizeA, unsigned int sizeB, unsigned int index)`

### 9.3.1 Detailed Description

Basic mathematic functions.

### 9.3.2 Function Documentation

**9.3.2.1** `template<class T > T uMax ( const T * v, unsigned int size, unsigned int & index = 0 ) [inline]`

Get the maximum of a vector.

## Parameters

<i>v</i>	the array
<i>size</i>	the size of the array
<i>index</i>	the index of the maximum value in the vector.

## Returns

the maximum value of the array

**9.3.2.2** `template<class T> T uMean ( const T * v, unsigned int size )` `[inline]`

Compute the mean of an array.

## Parameters

<i>v</i>	the array
<i>size</i>	the size of the array

## Returns

the mean

**9.3.2.3** `template<class T> T uMean ( const std::list< T > & list )` `[inline]`

Get the mean of a list. Provided for convenience.

## Parameters

<i>list</i>	the list
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## Returns

the mean

**9.3.2.4** `template<class T> T uMean ( const std::vector< T > & v )` `[inline]`

Get the mean of a vector. Provided for convenience.

## Parameters

<i>v</i>	the vector
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## Returns

the mean



**9.3.2.5** `float uNorm ( const std::vector< float > & v )` `[inline]`

Get the norm of the vector : return  $\sqrt{x_1*x_1 + x_2*x_2 + x_3*x_3}$

#### Returns

the norm of the vector

**9.3.2.6** `std::vector<float> uNormalize ( const std::vector< float > & v )` `[inline]`

Normalize the vector :  $[x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3 \ \dots] ./ \text{uNorm}([x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3 \ \dots])$

#### Returns

the vector normalized

**9.3.2.7** `template<class T > int uSign ( const T & v )` `[inline]`

Get the sign of value.

#### Parameters

<i>v</i>	the value
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#### Returns

-1 if  $v < 0$ , otherwise 1

**9.3.2.8** `template<class T > T uStdDev ( const T * v, unsigned int size, T meanV )`  
`[inline]`

Compute the standard deviation of an array.

#### Parameters

<i>v</i>	the array
<i>size</i>	the size of the array
<i>meanV</i>	the mean of the array

#### Returns

the std dev

#### See also

`mean()`

**9.3.2.9** `template<class T> T uStdDev ( const std::list< T> & list, const T & m )`  
`[inline]`

Get the standard deviation of a list. Provided for convenience.

**Parameters**

<i>list</i>	the list
<i>m</i>	the mean of the list

**Returns**

the std dev

**See also**

mean()

**9.3.2.10** `template<class T> T uStdDev ( const T * v, unsigned int size )` `[inline]`

Compute the standard deviation of an array.

**Parameters**

<i>v</i>	the array
<i>size</i>	the size of the array

**Returns**

the std dev

**9.3.2.11** `template<class T> T uStdDev ( const std::vector< T> & v, const T & m )`  
`[inline]`

Get the standard deviation of a vector. Provided for convenience.

**Parameters**

<i>v</i>	the vector
<i>m</i>	the mean of the vector

**Returns**

the std dev

See also

`mean()`

**9.3.2.12** `template<class T> T uSum ( const std::list< T > & list ) [inline]`

Get the sum of all values contained in a list. Provided for convenience.

Parameters

<i>list</i>	the list
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Returns

the sum of values of the list

**9.3.2.13** `template<class T> T uSum ( const std::vector< T > & v ) [inline]`

Get the sum of all values contained in a vector. Provided for convenience.

Parameters

<i>v</i>	the vector
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Returns

the sum of values of the vector

**9.3.2.14** `template<class T> T uSum ( const T * v, unsigned int size ) [inline]`

Get the sum of all values contained in an array.

Parameters

<i>v</i>	the array
<i>size</i>	the size of the array

Returns

the sum of values of the array

**9.3.2.15** `std::vector<float> uXCorr ( const float * vA, const float * vB, unsigned int sizeA, unsigned int sizeB ) [inline]`

Do a full cross correlation between 2 arrays.

**Parameters**

<i>vA</i>	the first array
<i>vB</i>	the second array
<i>sizeA</i>	the size of the first array
<i>sizeB</i>	the size of the second array

**Returns**

the resulting correlation vector of size = (sizeA + sizeB)-1

**9.3.2.16** `float uXCorr ( const float * vA, const float * vB, unsigned int sizeA, unsigned int sizeB, unsigned int index, float meanA, float meanB, float stdDevAB ) [inline]`

Do a cross correlation between 2 arrays at a specified index.

**Parameters**

<i>vA</i>	the first array
<i>vB</i>	the second array
<i>sizeA</i>	the size of the first array
<i>sizeB</i>	the size of the second array
<i>index</i>	the index to correlate
<i>meanA</i>	the mean of the array A
<i>meanB</i>	the mean of the array B
<i>stdDevAB</i>	the std dev of the 2 arrays: stdDevAB = stdDevA*stdDevB

**Returns**

the resulting correlation value

**9.3.2.17** `float uXCorr ( const float * vA, const float * vB, unsigned int sizeA, unsigned int sizeB, unsigned int index ) [inline]`

Do a cross correlation between 2 arrays at a specified index. The mean and the std dev are automatically computed for each array.

**Parameters**

<i>vA</i>	the first array
<i>vB</i>	the second array
<i>sizeA</i>	the size of the first array
<i>sizeB</i>	the size of the second array
<i>index</i>	the index to correlate

**Returns**

the resulting correlation value

**9.4 include/utilite/UStl.h File Reference**

Wrappers of STL for convenient functions.

```
#include <list> #include <map> #include <set> #include
<vector> #include <string> #include <algorithm>
```

**Functions**

- template<class K, class V >  
std::list< K > [uUniqueKeys](#) (const std::multimap< K, V > &mm)
- template<class K, class V >  
std::list< K > [uKeys](#) (const std::multimap< K, V > &mm)
- template<class K, class V >  
std::list< V > [uValues](#) (const std::multimap< K, V > &mm)
- template<class K, class V >  
std::list< V > [uValues](#) (const std::multimap< K, V > &mm, const K &key)
- template<class K, class V >  
std::vector< K > [uKeys](#) (const std::map< K, V > &m)
- template<class K, class V >  
std::list< K > [uKeysList](#) (const std::map< K, V > &m)
- template<class K, class V >  
std::set< K > [uKeysSet](#) (const std::map< K, V > &m)
- template<class K, class V >  
std::vector< V > [uValues](#) (const std::map< K, V > &m)
- template<class K, class V >  
std::list< V > [uValuesList](#) (const std::map< K, V > &m)
- template<class K, class V >  
V [uValue](#) (const std::map< K, V > &m, const K &key, const V &defaultValue=V())
- template<class K, class V >  
V [uTake](#) (std::map< K, V > &m, const K &key, const V &defaultValue=V())
- template<class V >  
std::list< V >::iterator [ulteratorAt](#) (std::list< V > &list, const unsigned int &pos)
- template<class V >  
std::list< V >::const\_iterator [ulteratorAt](#) (const std::list< V > &list, const unsigned int &pos)
- template<class V >  
std::vector< V >::iterator [ulteratorAt](#) (std::vector< V > &v, const unsigned int &pos)
- template<class V >  
V & [uValueAt](#) (std::list< V > &list, const unsigned int &pos)
- template<class V >  
const V & [uValueAt](#) (const std::list< V > &list, const unsigned int &pos)

- `template<class V >`  
`bool uContains (const std::list< V > &list, const V &value)`
- `template<class K , class V >`  
`bool uContains (const std::map< K, V > &map, const K &key)`
- `template<class K , class V >`  
`bool uContains (const std::multimap< K, V > &map, const K &key)`
- `template<class K , class V >`  
`void uInsert (std::map< K, V > &map, const std::pair< K, V > &pair)`
- `template<class V >`  
`std::vector< V > uListToVector (const std::list< V > &list)`
- `template<class V >`  
`std::list< V > uVectorToList (const std::vector< V > &v)`
- `template<class V >`  
`void uAppend (std::list< V > &list, const std::list< V > &newItems)`
- `template<class V >`  
`int uIndexOf (const std::vector< V > &list, const V &value)`
- `std::list< std::string > uSplit (const std::string &str, char separator= ' ')`

### 9.4.1 Detailed Description

Wrappers of STL for convenient functions. All functions you will find here are here for the use of STL in a more convenient way.

### 9.4.2 Function Documentation

**9.4.2.1** `template<class V > void uAppend ( std::list< V > & list, const std::list< V > & newItems ) [inline]`

Append a list to another list.

#### Parameters

<i>list</i>	the list on which the other list will be appended
<i>newItems</i>	the list of items to be appended

**9.4.2.2** `template<class V > bool uContains ( const std::list< V > & list, const V & value ) [inline]`

Check if the list contains the specified value.

#### Parameters

<i>list</i>	the list
<i>value</i>	the value

**Returns**

true if the value is found in the list, otherwise false

**9.4.2.3** `template<class K , class V > bool uContains ( const std::map< K, V > & map, const K & key ) [inline]`

Check if the map contains the specified key.

**Parameters**

<i>map</i>	the map
<i>key</i>	the key

**Returns**

true if the value is found in the map, otherwise false

**9.4.2.4** `template<class K , class V > bool uContains ( const std::multimap< K, V > & map, const K & key ) [inline]`

Check if the multimap contains the specified key.

**Parameters**

<i>map</i>	the map
<i>key</i>	the key

**Returns**

true if the value is found in the map, otherwise false

**9.4.2.5** `template<class V > int ulIndexOf ( const std::vector< V > & list, const V & value ) [inline]`

Get the index in the list of the specified value. S negative index is returned if the value is not found.

**Parameters**

<i>list</i>	the list
<i>value</i>	the value

**Returns**

the index of the value in the list

**9.4.2.6** `template<class K , class V > void ulInsert ( std::map< K, V > & map, const std::pair< K, V > & pair ) [inline]`

Insert an item in the map. Contrary to the insert in the STL, if the key already exists, the value will be replaced by the new one.

**9.4.2.7** `template<class V > std::list<V>::iterator uleratorAt ( std::list< V > & list, const unsigned int & pos ) [inline]`

Get the iterator at a specified position in a std::list. If the position is out of range, the result is the end iterator of the list.

#### Parameters

<i>list</i>	the list
<i>pos</i>	the index position in the list

#### Returns

the iterator at the specified index

**9.4.2.8** `template<class V > std::list<V>::const_iterator uleratorAt ( const std::list< V > & list, const unsigned int & pos ) [inline]`

Get the iterator at a specified position in a std::list. If the position is out of range, the result is the end iterator of the list.

#### Parameters

<i>list</i>	the list
<i>pos</i>	the index position in the list

#### Returns

the iterator at the specified index

**9.4.2.9** `template<class V > std::vector<V>::iterator uleratorAt ( std::vector< V > & v, const unsigned int & pos ) [inline]`

Get the iterator at a specified position in a std::vector. If the position is out of range, the result is the end iterator of the vector.

#### Parameters

<i>v</i>	the vector
<i>pos</i>	the index position in the vector



**Returns**

the iterator at the specified index

**9.4.2.10** `template<class K , class V > std::list<K> uKeys ( const std::multimap< K, V > & mm ) [inline]`

Get all keys from a std::multimap.

**Parameters**

<i>mm</i>	the multimap
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**Returns**

the list which contains all keys (may contains duplicated keys)

**9.4.2.11** `template<class K , class V > std::vector<K> uKeys ( const std::map< K, V > & m ) [inline]`

Get all keys from a std::map.

**Parameters**

<i>m</i>	the map
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**Returns**

the vector of keys

**9.4.2.12** `template<class K , class V > std::list<K> uKeysList ( const std::map< K, V > & m ) [inline]`

Get all keys from a std::map.

**Parameters**

<i>m</i>	the map
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**Returns**

the list of keys

**9.4.2.13** `template<class K, class V> std::set<K> uKeysSet ( const std::map< K, V > & m ) [inline]`

Get all keys from a std::map.

**Parameters**

<i>m</i>	the map
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**Returns**

the set of keys

**9.4.2.14** `template<class V> std::vector<V> uListToVector ( const std::list< V > & list ) [inline]`

Convert a std::list to a std::vector.

**Parameters**

<i>list</i>	the list
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**Returns**

the vector

**9.4.2.15** `std::list<std::string> uSplit ( const std::string & str, char separator = ' ' ) [inline]`

Split a string into multiple string around the specified separator. Example:

```
std::vector<std::string> v = split("Hello the world!", ' ');
```

The vector v will contain {"Hello", "the", "world!"}

**Parameters**

<i>str</i>	the string
<i>separator</i>	the separator character

**Returns**

the index of the value in the list

**9.4.2.16** `template<class K , class V > V uTake ( std::map< K, V > & m, const K & key, const V & defaultValue = V() ) [inline]`

Get the value of a specified key from a std::map. This will remove the value from the map;

**Parameters**

<i>m</i>	the map
<i>key</i>	the key
<i>defaultValue</i>	the default value used if the key is not found

**Returns**

the value

**9.4.2.17** `template<class K , class V > std::list<K> uUniqueKeys ( const std::multimap< K, V > & mm ) [inline]`

Get unique keys from a std::multimap.

**Parameters**

<i>mm</i>	the multimap
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**Returns**

the list which contains unique keys

**9.4.2.18** `template<class K , class V > V uValue ( const std::map< K, V > & m, const K & key, const V & defaultValue = V() ) [inline]`

Get the value of a specified key from a std::map.

**Parameters**

<i>m</i>	the map
<i>key</i>	the key
<i>defaultValue</i>	the default value used if the key is not found

**Returns**

the value

**9.4.2.19** `template<class V> V& uValueAt ( std::list< V> & list, const unsigned int & pos )`  
`[inline]`

Get the value at a specified position in a std::list. If the position is out of range, the result is undefined.

**Parameters**

<i>list</i>	the list
<i>pos</i>	the index position in the list

**Returns**

the value at the specified index

**9.4.2.20** `template<class V> const V& uValueAt ( const std::list< V> & list, const unsigned int & pos )` `[inline]`

Get the value at a specified position in a std::list. If the position is out of range, the result is undefined.

**Parameters**

<i>list</i>	the list
<i>pos</i>	the index position in the list

**Returns**

the value at the specified index

**9.4.2.21** `template<class K, class V> std::list<V> uValues ( const std::multimap< K, V> & mm )` `[inline]`

Get all values from a std::multimap.

**Parameters**

<i>mm</i>	the multimap
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**Returns**

the list which contains all values (contains values from duplicated keys)

**9.4.2.22** `template<class K , class V > std::list<V> uValues ( const std::multimap< K, V > & mm, const K & key ) [inline]`

Get values for a specified key from a std::multimap.

#### Parameters

<i>mm</i>	the multimap
<i>key</i>	the key

#### Returns

the list which contains the values of the key

**9.4.2.23** `template<class K , class V > std::vector<V> uValues ( const std::map< K, V > & m ) [inline]`

Get all values from a std::map.

#### Parameters

<i>m</i>	the map
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#### Returns

the vector of values

**9.4.2.24** `template<class K , class V > std::list<V> uValuesList ( const std::map< K, V > & m ) [inline]`

Get all values from a std::map.

#### Parameters

<i>m</i>	the map
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#### Returns

the list of values

**9.4.2.25** `template<class V > std::list<V> uVectorToList ( const std::vector< V > & v ) [inline]`

Convert a std::vector to a std::list.

**Parameters**

	$v$	the vector
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**Returns**

the list