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IAsyncResult Interface

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Represents the status of an asynchronous operation.

For a list of all members of this type, see [IAsyncResult Members](#).

[Visual Basic]

Public Interface IAsyncResult

[C#]

public interface IAsyncResult

[C++]

public __gc __interface IAsyncResult

[JScript]

public interface IAsyncResult

Classes that Implement IAsyncResult

Class	Description
AsyncResult	Encapsulates the results of an asynchronous operation on an asynchronous delegate.
WebClientAsyncResult	Provides an implementation of IAsyncResult for use by XML Web service proxies to implement the standard asynchronous

method pattern.

Remarks

The **IAsyncResult** interface is implemented by classes containing methods that can operate asynchronously. It is the return type of methods that initiate an asynchronous operation, such as [FileStream.BeginRead](#), and is the type of the third parameter of methods that conclude an asynchronous operation, such as [FileStream.EndRead](#). **IAsyncResult** objects are also passed to methods invoked by [AsyncCallback](#) delegates when an asynchronous operation completes.

An object that supports the **IAsyncResult** interface stores state information for an asynchronous operation, and provides a synchronization object to allow threads to be signaled when the operation completes.

For a detailed description of how the **IAsyncResult** interface is used, see the [Asynchronous Programming Overview](#) topic.

Example

[Visual Basic, C#, C++] The following sample demonstrates using an **IAsyncResult** to obtain the return value of an asynchronous operation.

[Visual Basic]

' Asynchronous Callback method.

Public Shared Sub MyCallback(ar As IAsyncResult)

 ' Obtains the last parameter of the delegate call.

 Dim value As Integer = Convert.ToInt32(ar.AsyncState)

 ' Obtains return value from the delegate call using EndInvoke.

 Dim aResult As AsyncResult = CType(ar, AsyncResult)

 Dim temp As SampSyncSqrDelegate = CType(aResult.AsyncDelegate,
SampSyncSqrDelegate)

 Dim result As Integer = temp.EndInvoke(ar)

 Console.WriteLine("Simple.SomeMethod (AsyncCallback): Result of ")

 Console.WriteLine("{0} in SampleSynchronized.Square is {1} ", value, result)

End Sub 'MyCallback

[C#]

// Asynchronous Callback method.

```

public static void MyCallback(IAsyncResult ar) {

    // Obtains the last parameter of the delegate call.
    int value = Convert.ToInt32(ar.AsyncState);

    // Obtains return value from the delegate call using EndInvoke.
    AsyncResult aResult = (AsyncResult)ar;
    SampSyncSqrDelegate temp = (SampSyncSqrDelegate)aResult.AsyncDelegate;
    int result = temp.EndInvoke(ar);

    Console.Write("Simple.SomeMethod (AsyncCallback): Result of ");
    Console.WriteLine("{0} in SampleSynchronized.Square is {1} ", value, result);
}

```

```

[C++]
// Asynchronous Callback method.
public:
static void MyCallback(IAsyncResult* ar)
{
    // Obtains the last parameter of the delegate call.
    int value = Convert::ToInt32(ar->AsyncState);

    // Obtains return value from the delegate call using EndInvoke.
    AsyncResult* aResult = dynamic_cast<AsyncResult*>(ar);
    SampSyncSqrDelegate* temp = static_cast<SampSyncSqrDelegate*>(aResult-
>AsyncDelegate);
    int result = temp->EndInvoke(ar);

    Console::Write(S"Simple::SomeMethod (AsyncCallback): Result of ");
    Console::WriteLine(S" {0} in SampleSynchronized::Square is {1} ", __box(value),
__box(result));
}

```

[Visual Basic, C#, C++] The following sample demonstrates waiting for an asynchronous operation to complete.

[Visual Basic]

Imports System

Imports System.Threading

Imports System.Runtime.Remoting

Imports System.Runtime.Remoting.Contexts

Imports System.Runtime.Remoting.Messaging

,

' Context-Bound type with Synchronization Context Attribute

,

<Synchronization()> Public Class SampleSynchronized

Inherits ContextBoundObject

' A method that does some work - returns the square of the given number

Public Function Square(i As Integer) As Integer

Console.Write("SampleSynchronized.Square called. ")

Console.WriteLine("The hash of the current thread is: {0}",

Thread.CurrentThread.GetHashCode())

Return i * i

End Function 'Square

End Class 'SampleSynchronized

,

' Async delegate used to call a method with this signature asynchronously

,

Delegate Function SampSyncSqrDelegate(i As Integer) As Integer

'Main sample class

Public Class AsyncResultSample

Public Shared Sub Main()

```
Dim callParameter As Integer = 0
```

```
Dim callResult As Integer = 0
```

```
'Create an instance of a context-bound type SampleSynchronized
```

```
'Because SampleSynchronized is context-bound, the object sampSyncObj
```

```
'is a transparent proxy
```

```
Dim sampSyncObj As New SampleSynchronized()
```

```
'call the method synchronously
```

```
Console.Write("Making a synchronous call on the object. ")
```

```
Console.WriteLine("The hash of the current thread is: {0}",
```

```
Thread.CurrentThread.GetHashCode())
```

```
callParameter = 10
```

```
callResult = sampSyncObj.Square(callParameter)
```

```
Console.WriteLine("Result of calling sampSyncObj.Square with {0} is {1}.",
```

```
callParameter, callResult)
```

```
Console.WriteLine("")
```

```
Console.WriteLine("")
```

```
'call the method asynchronously
```

```
Console.Write("Making an asynchronous call on the object. ")
```

```
Console.WriteLine("The hash of the current thread is: {0}",
```

```
Thread.CurrentThread.GetHashCode())
```

```
Dim sampleDelegate As New SampSyncSqrDelegate(AddressOf  
sampSyncObj.Square)
```

```
callParameter = 17
```

```
Dim aResult As IAsyncResult = sampleDelegate.BeginInvoke(callParameter,  
Nothing, Nothing)
```

```
'Wait for the call to complete
```

```
aResult.AsyncWaitHandle.WaitOne()
```

```
callResult = sampleDelegate.EndInvoke(aResult)
```

```
    Console.WriteLine("Result of calling sampSyncObj.Square with {0} is {1}.",  
callParameter, callResult)
```

```
End Sub 'Main
```

```
End Class 'AsyncResultSample
```

```
[C#]
```

```
using System;
```

```
using System.Threading;
```

```
using System.Runtime.Remoting;
```

```
using System.Runtime.Remoting.Contexts;
```

```
using System.Runtime.Remoting.Messaging;
```

```
//
```

```
// Context-Bound type with Synchronization Context Attribute
```

```
//
```

```
[Synchronization()]
```

```
public class SampleSynchronized : ContextBoundObject
```

```
{
```

```
    // A method that does some work - returns the square of the given number
```

```
    public int Square(int i)
```

```
    {
```

```
        Console.Write("SampleSynchronized.Square called. ");
```

```
        Console.WriteLine("The hash of the current thread is: {0}",
```

```
Thread.CurrentThread.GetHashCode());
```

```
        return i*i;
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

```
//
```

```
// Async delegate used to call a method with this signature asynchronously
```

```
//
public delegate int SampSyncSqrDelegate(int i);

//Main sample class
public class AsyncResultSample
{
    public static void Main()
    {
        int callParameter = 0;
        int callResult = 0;

        //Create an instance of a context-bound type SampleSynchronized
        //Because SampleSynchronized is context-bound, the object sampSyncObj
        //is a transparent proxy
        SampleSynchronized sampSyncObj = new SampleSynchronized();

        //call the method synchronously
        Console.WriteLine("Making a synchronous call on the object. ");
        Console.WriteLine("The hash of the current thread is: {0}",
Thread.CurrentThread.GetHashCode());
        callParameter = 10;
        callResult = sampSyncObj.Square(callParameter);
        Console.WriteLine("Result of calling sampSyncObj.Square with {0} is {1}.\n\n",
callParameter, callResult);

        //call the method asynchronously
        Console.WriteLine("Making an asynchronous call on the object. ");
        Console.WriteLine("The hash of the current thread is: {0}",
Thread.CurrentThread.GetHashCode());
        SampSyncSqrDelegate sampleDelegate = new
SampSyncSqrDelegate(sampSyncObj.Square);
        callParameter = 17;
```



```

        IAsyncResult aResult = sampleDelegate.BeginInvoke(callParameter, null, null);

        //Wait for the call to complete
        aResult.AsyncWaitHandle.WaitOne();

        callResult = sampleDelegate.EndInvoke(aResult);
        Console.WriteLine("Result of calling sampSyncObj.Square with {0} is {1}.",
callParameter, callResult);
    }
}

```

[C++]

```

#using <mscorlib.dll>

using namespace System;
using namespace System::Threading;
using namespace System::Runtime::Remoting;
using namespace System::Runtime::Remoting::Contexts;
using namespace System::Runtime::Remoting::Messaging;

//
// Context-Bound type with Synchronization Context Attribute
//
public __gc class SampleSynchronized : public ContextBoundObject
{
    // A method that does some work - returns the square of the given number
public:
    int Square(int i)
    {
        Console::Write(S"SampleSynchronized::Square called. ");
        Console::WriteLine(S"The hash of the current thread is: {0}",
__box(Thread::CurrentThread->GetHashCode()));
        return i*i;
    }
};

```

```

//
// Async delegate used to call a method with this signature asynchronously
//
__delegate int SampSyncSqrDelegate(int i);

//Main sample class
int main()
{
    int callParameter = 0;
    int callResult = 0;

    //Create an instance of a context-bound type SampleSynchronized
    //Because SampleSynchronized is context-bound, the Object* sampSyncObj
    //is a transparent proxy
    SampleSynchronized* sampSyncObj = new SampleSynchronized();

    //call the method synchronously
    Console::Write(S"Making a synchronous call on the Object*. ");
    Console::WriteLine(S"The hash of the current thread is: {0}",
__box(Thread::CurrentThread->GetHashCode()));
    callParameter = 10;
    callResult = sampSyncObj->Square(callParameter);
    Console::WriteLine(S"Result of calling sampSyncObj.Square with {0} is {1}.\n\n",
__box(callParameter), __box(callResult));

    //call the method asynchronously
    Console::Write(S"Making an asynchronous call on the Object*. ");
    Console::WriteLine(S"The hash of the current thread is: {0}",
__box(Thread::CurrentThread->GetHashCode()));
    SampSyncSqrDelegate* sampleDelegate = new
SampSyncSqrDelegate(sampSyncObj, SampleSynchronized::Square);
    callParameter = 17;

```

```

IAsyncResult* aResult = sampleDelegate->BeginInvoke(callParameter, 0, 0);

//Wait for the call to complete
aResult->AsyncWaitHandle->WaitOne();

callResult = sampleDelegate->EndInvoke(aResult);
Console.WriteLine(S"Result of calling sampSyncObj.Square with {0} is {1}.",
__box(callParameter), __box(callResult));
}

```

[JScript] No example is available for JScript. To view a Visual Basic, C#, or C++ example, click the Language Filter button



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Requirements

Namespace: [System](#)

Platforms: Windows 98, Windows NT 4.0, Windows Millennium Edition, Windows 2000, Windows XP Home Edition, Windows XP Professional, Windows Server 2003 family, .NET Compact Framework

Assembly: Mscorlib (in Mscorlib.dll)

See Also

[IAsyncResult Members](#) | [System Namespace](#)

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