

Re: Timestamp to a string

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>Tom Leylan wrote:

- > People seem to be interpreting your question as "how do create and
- > concatenate a date string" which I think we can see it isn't. Your main
- > problem (it seems to me) is to recognize whether there is a date on the
- > filename presently. You have to derive a function to test for the presence
- > of a date which doesn't mistake some legitimate filename for your
- > concatenated string.
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- > It isn't hard to do but you should isolate it into a single method
- > `IsDatePresent()` or something like that so you can adjust the code if you get
- > a false positive at some point. You know it should be attached to the end
- > of the filename, it should follow a 99-99-9999 convention and the filename
- > cannot be shorter than 11 characters or there couldn't be a date string
- > attached (it had to have at least one character initially).

I Think you are the closest to my problem. To add to what I already wrote, I want to give an option of specifying the timestamp format to the user and append the timestamp to it if any formatting is present. So the format can be "MM-DD-YYYY" or "MM-DD-YYYY 0.0.0" or any format that is supported by "DateFormat" class. Looks like there is no direct function which can do this – and writing a custom function to check for all such cases would be very difficult ... I probably would restrict the number of formats that can be specified.

Sandeep

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