

### Working with Menus

Menus - provide groups of

- **Menu items** (commands, grouped by a common theme):
  - *access shortcuts* or *hot keys* (Alt+key)
  - *checkmarks*
    - **Submenus** (menus within a menu)
- **Context menus** (commonly used commands, pop up in response to <R>)

### Control **MainMenu** (**MenuStrip**)

Displays a menu at run time. All submenus of the main menu and individual items are **MenuItem** (**ToolStripMenuItem**, **ToolStripComboBox**, **ToolStripSeparator**, and **ToolStripTextBox**) objects. To bind the menu bar to the **Form** that will display it, assign the **MainMenu** (**MenuStrip**) to the **Menu** (**MainMenuStrip**) property of the **Form**. The method **Menu.CloneMenu** creates a copy of the menu structure and is used to modifications for the menu structure.

#### Properties

- MenuItems** Gets the collection of **MenuItem** objects associated with the menu
- (**Items** Gets all the items that belong to a **ToolStrip**)

### Control **ContextMenu** (**ContextMenuStrip**)

Represents shortcut menus that can be displayed when the user clicks the right mouse button over a control or area of the form. To bind this control to the control that displays the shortcut menu, assign **ContextMenu** (**ContextMenuStrip**) to the **ContextMenu** (**ContextMenuStrip**) property of the control.

#### Properties

- SourceControl** Gets the control that is displaying the shortcut menu

### Class **MenuItem** (**ToolStripMenuItem**)

Represents an individual item that is displayed within a menu.

#### Properties

- (**Name**) Gets/sets the name of the menu item
- Checked** Gets/sets **true/false** indicating whether a check mark appears next to the text of the menu item
- DefaultItem** Gets/sets **true/false** indicating whether the menu item is the default menu item
- Enabled** Gets/sets **true/false** indicating whether the menu item is enabled

- Index** Gets/sets the position of the menu item in its parent menu
- MenuItems** (**DropDownItems**) Gets the collection of **MenuItem** objects associated with the menu
- RadioCheck** Gets/sets **true/false** indicating whether the menu item, if checked (**Checked=true**), displays a radio-button instead of a check mark
- Shortcut** (**ShortcutKeys**) Gets/sets the shortcut key associated with the menu item
- Text** Gets/sets the caption of the menu item; **&** before the character is used as the access key
- Visible** Gets/sets **true/false** indicating whether the menu item is visible

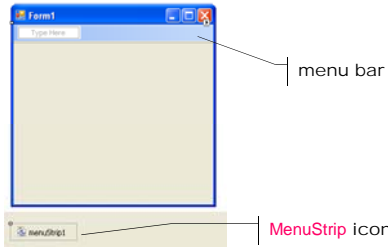
#### Events

- Click** Occurs when the menu item is clicked or selected using a shortcut key or access key defined for the menu item (**default**)
- Popup** Occurs before a menu item's list of menu items is displayed
- Select** Occurs when the user places the pointer over a menu item

Creating a Menu using the **Designer**:

1. Create a menu bar

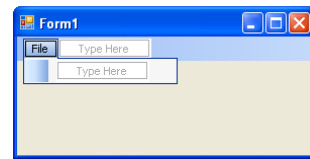
Toolbox => <L2> **MenuStrip**



2. Set the **menuStrip1** properties  
(Name) **MenuStrip\_class\_name**

3. Add menu items to the menu bar

<L> **Type Here** => text for **menu\_name**



4. Set **ToolStripMenuItem** properties

(Name) **ToolStripMenuItem\_class\_name**  
Text **menu\_item\_name**  
(add ... after **menu\_item\_name** for a dialog window)

5. Add submenus to a menu

<L> **menu\_item\_name**

<L> **Type Here** => text for **submenu\_name**

6. Set submenu properties

(Name) **ToolStripMenuItem\_class\_submenu\_name**

Text **submenu\_name**

7. Access key

**&** before the character

**&File File (Alt+F)**

(Alt is a shortcut key by default.)

8. Insert a separator

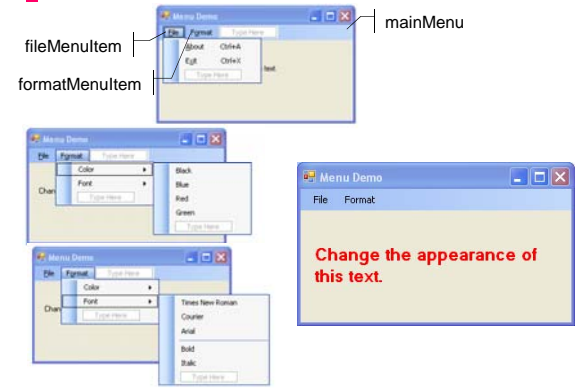
<R> menu item => **Insert Separator**

or **-** for the text of the menu-item

9. Delete a menu item

<L> menu item => **<Delete>**

**Example:** Menu bar with two menus: **File** and **Format**.



```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;
```

```
namespace WindowsApplication10
{
    public partial class Form1 : Form
    {
        public Form1()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
        }
    }
}
```

```
private void aboutMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    MessageBox.Show("Example of using menus", "About",
        MessageBoxButtons.OK, MessageBoxIcon.Information);
}

private void exitMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    Application.Exit();
}

private void ClearColor()
{
    blackMenuItem.Checked = false;
    blueMenuItem.Checked = false;
    redMenuItem.Checked = false;
    greenMenuItem.Checked = false;
}
```

```
private void blackMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    ClearColor();
    displayLabel.ForeColor = Color.Black;
    blackMenuItem.Checked = true;
}

private void blueMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    ClearColor();
    displayLabel.ForeColor = Color.Blue;
    blueMenuItem.Checked = true;
}

private void redMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    ClearColor();
    displayLabel.ForeColor = Color.Red;
    redMenuItem.Checked = true;
}
```

```
private void greenMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    ClearColor();
    displayLabel.ForeColor = Color.Green;
    greenMenuItem.Checked = true;
}

private void ClearFont()
{
    timesMenuItem.Checked = false;
    courierMenuItem.Checked = false;
    arialMenuItem.Checked = false;
}

private void timesMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    ClearFont();
    displayLabel.Font = new Font("Times New Roman", 14,
                                displayLabel.Font.Style);
    timesMenuItem.Checked = true;
}
```

```
private void courierMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    ClearFont();
    displayLabel.Font = new Font("Courier", 14, displayLabel.Font.Style);
    courierMenuItem.Checked = true;
}

private void arialMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    ClearFont();
    displayLabel.Font = new Font("Arial", 14, displayLabel.Font.Style);
    arialMenuItem.Checked = true;
}

private void boldMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    ClearFont();
    displayLabel.Font = new Font(displayLabel.Font.FontFamily, 14,
                                displayLabel.Font.Style ^ FontStyle.Bold);
    boldMenuItem.Checked = true;
}
```

```
private void italicMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    ClearFont();
    displayLabel.Font = new Font(displayLabel.Font.FontFamily, 14,
                                displayLabel.Font.Style ^ FontStyle.Italic);
    italicMenuItem.Checked = true;
}
}
```

```
namespace WindowsApplication10
{
    partial class Form1
    {
        private System.ComponentModel.IContainer components = null;
        protected override void Dispose(bool disposing) { ... }
        #region Windows Form Designer generated code
        private void InitializeComponent()
        {
            this.mainMenu.Items.AddRange(new
                System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[] {
                    this.fileMenuItem, this.formatMenuItem});
            this.fileMenuItem.DropDownItems.AddRange(new
                System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[] {
                    this.aboutMenuItem, this.exitMenuItem});
            this.fileMenuItem.Text = "&File";
            this.aboutMenuItem.Text = "&About";
            this.aboutMenuItem.ShortcutKeys = ((System.Windows.Forms.Keys)
                ((System.Windows.Forms.Keys.Control |
                    System.Windows.Forms.Keys.A)));
            this.aboutMenuItem.Click +=
                new System.EventHandler(this.aboutMenuItem_Click);
```

```
this.exitMenuItem.Text = "E&xit";
this.exitMenuItem.ShortcutKeys = ((System.Windows.Forms.Keys)
    ((System.Windows.Forms.Keys.Control |
        System.Windows.Forms.Keys.X)));
this.exitMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.exitMenuItem_Click);
this.formatMenuItem.DropDownItems.AddRange(new
    System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[] {
        this.colorMenuItem, this.fontMenuItem});
this.formatMenuItem.Text = "F&ormat";
this.colorMenuItem.DropDownItems.AddRange(new
    System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[] {this.blackMenuItem,
        this.blueMenuItem, this.redMenuItem, this.greenMenuItem});
this.blackMenuItem.Text = "Black";
this.blackMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.blackMenuItem_Click);
this.blueMenuItem.Text = "Blue";
this.blueMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.blueMenuItem_Click);
```

```

this.redMenuItem.Text = "Red";
this.redMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.redMenuItem_Click);

this.greenMenuItem.Text = "Green";
this.greenMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.greenMenuItem_Click);

this.fontMenuItem.DropDownItems.AddRange(new
    System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[] {this.timesMenuItem,
    this.courierMenuItem, this.arialMenuItem, this.separatorMenuItem1,
    this.boldMenuItem, this.italicMenuItem});
this.fontMenuItem.Text = "Font";

this.timesMenuItem.Text = "Times New Roman";
this.timesMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.timesMenuItem_Click);

this.courierMenuItem.Text = "Courier";
this.courierMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.courierMenuItem_Click);

```

```

this.arialMenuItem.Text = "Arial";
this.arialMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.arialMenuItem_Click);

this.separatorMenuItem1.Name = "separatorMenuItem1";

this.boldMenuItem.Text = "Bold";
this.boldMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.boldMenuItem_Click);

this.italicMenuItem.Text = "Italic";
this.italicMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.italicMenuItem_Click);

this.displayLabel.Text = "Change the appearance of this text.";
this.Controls.Add(this.displayLabel);
this.Controls.Add(this.mainMenu);
this.MainMenuStrip = this.mainMenu;
this.Name = "Form1";
this.Text = "Menu Demo";
}
#endregion

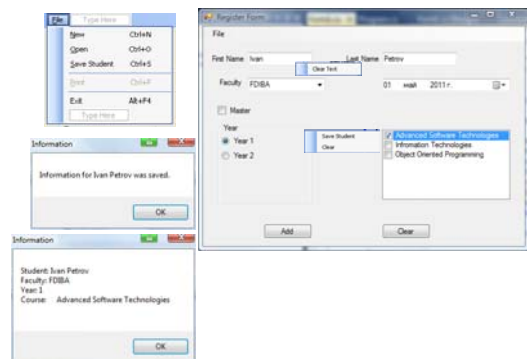
```

```

private System.Windows.Forms.MenuStrip mainMenu;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem fileMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem aboutMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem exitMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem formaMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem colorMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem blackMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem blueMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem redMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem greenMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem fontMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem timesMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem courierMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem arialMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem separatorMenuItem1;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem boldMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem italicMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.Label displayLabel;
}
}

```

**Example:** Add Register Form with a menu File and context menus for the text controls (Clear Text) and for the form (Save Student, Clear).



```

using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;

namespace WindowsApplication11
{
    public partial class Form1 : Form
    {
        private System.Windows.Forms.ContextMenuStrip textBoxMenu;
        private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem textBoxClearItem;
        private System.Windows.Forms.ContextMenuStrip formMenu;
        private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem saveContextItem;
        private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem clearContextItem;
    }
}

```

```

public Form1()
{
    InitializeComponent();
    Reset();
    // Creates a context menu with one item "Clear Text"
    this.textBoxMenu = new System.Windows.Forms.ContextMenuStrip();
    this.textBoxClearItem =
        new System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem();
    this.textBoxMenu.Items.AddRange(new
        System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[] {
            this.textBoxClearItem});
    this.textBoxClearItem.Text = "Clear Text";
    // Bind the context menu to the TextBox controls
    this.firstName.ContextMenuStrip = this.textBoxMenu;
    this.lastName.ContextMenuStrip = this.textBoxMenu;
    // Add the Click event handler at run time
    this.textBoxClearItem.Click +=
        new System.EventHandler(this.textBoxClearClick);
}

```

```
// Creates a context menu with two items "Save Student" and "Clear"
formMenu = new System.Windows.Forms.ContextMenuStrip();
this.saveContextItem =
    new System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem();
this.clearContextItem =
    new System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem();
this.formMenu.Items.AddRange(new
    System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem[] {
        this.saveContextItem, this.clearContextItem});
this.saveContextItem.Text = "Save Student";
this.clearContextItem.Text = "Clear";
// Bind the context menu to the Form control
this.ContextMenuStrip = formMenu;
// Add the Click event handler at run time
this.saveContextItem.Click += new EventHandler(this.saveltem_Click);
this.clearContextItem.Click +=
    new EventHandler(this.clearButton_Click);
}
public void Reset() { ... }
public void CheckedExceptionReset() { ... }
private void type_CheckedChanged(object sender, EventArgs e) { ... }
```

```
private void addButton_Click(object sender, EventArgs e) { ... }
private void clearButton_Click(object sender, EventArgs e) { ... }
private void memeberFormClosing(object sender,
    FormClosingEventArgs e) { ... }
private void newItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    Reset();
    printItem.Enabled = true;
}
private void saveltem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    string details = "Information for " + firstName.Text + " " +
        lastName.Text + " was saved.";
    MessageBox.Show(details, "Information");
}
private void exitItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    Close();
}
```

```
private void textBoxClearClick(object sender, System.EventArgs e)
{
    if (textBoxMenu.SourceControl.Equals(firstName))
        firstName.Clear();
    else
        lastName.Clear();
}
}
```

```
private void InitializeComponent()
{
    ...
    this.menuStrip1.Items.AddRange(new
        System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[] { this.fileItem});

    this.fileItem.DropDownItems.AddRange(new
        System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[] {this.newItem,
        this.openItem, this.saveltem, this.toolStripMenuItem1,
        this.printItem, this.toolStripMenuItem2, this.exitItem});
    this.fileItem.ShortcutKeys = ((System.Windows.Forms.Keys)
        ((System.Windows.Forms.Keys.Control |
        System.Windows.Forms.Keys.O)));
    this.fileItem.Text = "&File";

    this.newItem.ShortcutKeys = ((System.Windows.Forms.Keys)
        ((System.Windows.Forms.Keys.Control |
        System.Windows.Forms.Keys.N)));
    this.newItem.Text = "&New";
    this.newItem.Click += new System.EventHandler(this.newItem_Click);
```

```
this.openItem.ShortcutKeys = ((System.Windows.Forms.Keys)
    ((System.Windows.Forms.Keys.Control |
    System.Windows.Forms.Keys.O)));
this.openItem.Text = "&Open";

this.saveltem.ShortcutKeys = ((System.Windows.Forms.Keys)
    ((System.Windows.Forms.Keys.Control |
    System.Windows.Forms.Keys.S)));
this.saveltem.Text = "&Save Student";
this.saveltem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.saveltem_Click);

this.toolStripMenuItem1.Name = "toolStripMenuItem1";

this.printItem.Enabled = false;
this.printItem.ShortcutKeys = ((System.Windows.Forms.Keys)
    ((System.Windows.Forms.Keys.Control |
    System.Windows.Forms.Keys.P)));
this.printItem.Text = "&Print";

this.toolStripMenuItem2.Name = "toolStripMenuItem2";
```

```
this.exitItem.ShortcutKeys = ((System.Windows.Forms.Keys)
    ((System.Windows.Forms.Keys.Alt |
    System.Windows.Forms.Keys.F4)));
this.exitItem.Text = "Exit";
this.exitItem.Click += new System.EventHandler(this.exitItem_Click);

this.Controls.Add(this.menuStrip1);
this.MainMenuStrip = this.menuStrip1;
this.Name = "Form1";
}
#endregion
private System.Windows.Forms.MenuStrip menuStrip1;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem fileItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem newItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem openItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem saveltem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem printItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem toolStripMenuItem1;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem toolStripMenuItem2;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem exitItem;
}
```

Controls **OpenFileDialog** and **SaveFileDialog**  
 Display a dialog box for file opening/saving.

Properties

**AddExtension** Gets/sets **true/false** indicating whether the dialog box automatically adds an extension to a file name if the user omits the extension

**DefaultExt** Gets/sets the default file name extension

**FileName** Gets/sets a string containing the file name selected in the file dialog box

**InitialDirectory** Gets/sets the initial directory displayed by the file dialog box

**Title** Gets/sets the file dialog box title

**ValidateNames** Gets/sets **true/false** indicating whether the dialog box accepts only valid Win32 file names

**OverwritePrompt (SaveFileDialog)** Gets/sets **true/false** indicating whether the Save As dialog box displays a warning if the user specifies a file name that already exists

Methods

**OpenFile** Opens the file selected by the user specified by the **FileName** property, with read-only permission (**OpenFileDialog**) / with read/write permission (**SaveFileDialog**) and returns the **Stream**

**ShowDialog** Runs a dialog box and returns **DialogResult.OK** if the user clicks OK in the dialog box; otherwise, **DialogResult.Cancel**

Control **RichTextBox**

Displays a control for displaying, entering, and manipulating text with formatting. The text is entering directly or is loading from a file including plain text, Unicode plain text, and Rich Text Format (RTF).

Methods

**public int Find (string str)**  
 Searches the text for a string **str**. Returns the location within the control where the search text was found or **-1** if the search string is not found or an empty search string is specified in the **str** parameter.

**public void LoadFile (Stream data, RichTextBoxStreamType fileType);**  
 Loads the contents of an existing **data** stream from **fileType** (**PlainText**, **RichText**, **UnicodePlainText**) in the control.

**public void SaveFile (string path, RichTextBoxStreamType fileType);**  
 Saves the contents of the control to a file with a name **path** and specific **fileType**.

**Example:** Text editor – menu File with submenus for file manipulation.

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;

namespace WindowsApplication12
{
    public partial class Form1 : Form
    {
        private bool fileNew;
        public Form1()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
            fileNew = true;
        }
    }
}
```

```
private void newToolStripMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    richTextBox.Text = String.Empty;
    fileNew = true;
}

private void openToolStripMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    if (openFileDialog.ShowDialog() == DialogResult.OK)
    {
        richTextBox.LoadFile(openFileDialog.FileName,
            RichTextBoxStreamType.PlainText);

        fileNew = false;
    }
}
```

```
private void saveToolStripMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    if (!fileNew)
    {
        saveFileDialog.FileName = openFileDialog.FileName;
        richTextBox.SaveFile(saveFileDialog.FileName,
            RichTextBoxStreamType.PlainText);
    }
    else
    {
        if ((saveFileDialog.ShowDialog() == DialogResult.OK))
            richTextBox.SaveFile(saveFileDialog.FileName,
                RichTextBoxStreamType.PlainText);
    }
    fileNew = false;
}
```

```
private void saveAsToolStripMenuItem_Click(object sender,
    EventArgs e)
{
    if ((saveFileDialog.ShowDialog() == DialogResult.OK))
    {
        richTextBox.SaveFile(saveFileDialog.FileName,
            RichTextBoxStreamType.PlainText);
    }
}

private void closeToolStripMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    richTextBox.Text = String.Empty;
    fileNew = false;
}

private void exitToolStripMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    Application.Exit();
}
}
```

```
namespace WindowsApplication12
{
    partial class Form1
    {
        private System.ComponentModel.IContainer components = null;

        protected override void Dispose(bool disposing) { ... }

        #region Windows Form Designer generated code

        private void InitializeComponent()
        {
            ...
            this.menuStrip1.Text = "mainMenuStrip";

            this.fileToolStripMenuItem.Text = "&File";

            this.newToolStripMenuItem.Text = "&New";
            this.newToolStripMenuItem.Click +=
                new System.EventHandler(this.newToolStripMenuItem_Click);
        }
    }
}
```

```
this.openToolStripMenuItem.Text = "&Open";
this.openToolStripMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.openToolStripMenuItem_Click);

this.saveToolStripMenuItem.Text = "&Save";
this.saveToolStripMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.saveToolStripMenuItem_Click);

this.saveAsToolStripMenuItem.Text = "Save &As";
this.saveAsToolStripMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.saveAsToolStripMenuItem_Click);

this.closeToolStripMenuItem.Text = "&Close";
this.closeToolStripMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.closeToolStripMenuItem_Click);

this.exitToolStripMenuItem.Text = "E&xit";
this.exitToolStripMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.exitToolStripMenuItem_Click);

this.richTextBox.Dock = System.Windows.Forms.DockStyle.Fill;
this.richTextBox.Text = "";
```

```

this.openFileDialog.DefaultExt = "*.cs";
this.openFileDialog.Filter = "\\*C# files (*.cs)|*.cs|All files (*.*)|*.*|*";
this.openFileDialog.Title = "Open a file";

this.saveFileDialog.DefaultExt = "*.cs";
this.saveFileDialog.Filter = "\\*C# files (*.cs)|*.cs|All files (*.*)|*.*|*";
this.saveFileDialog.Title = "Save a file";

this.Controls.Add(this.richTextBox);
this.Controls.Add(this.menuStrip1);
this.MainMenuStrip = this.menuStrip1;
this.Name = "Form1";
this.Text = "Text Editor";
}

#endregion

```

```

private System.Windows.Forms.MenuStrip menuStrip1;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem fileToolStripMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem newToolStripMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem openToolStripMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem saveToolStripMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem saveAsToolStripMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem closeToolStripMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem exitToolStripMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.RichTextBox richTextBox;
private System.Windows.Forms.OpenFileDialog openFileDialog;
private System.Windows.Forms.SaveFileDialog saveFileDialog;
}

```

Control **LinkLabel**

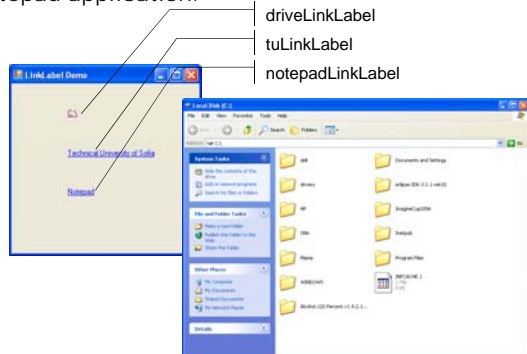
Displays Web-style links to Windows Forms applications (links to a file, folder, or Web page).

Properties

- ActiveLinkColor** Gets/sets the color used to display an active link (**red**)
- LinkColor** Gets/sets the color used when displaying a normal link (**blue**)
- LinkVisited** Gets/sets **true/false** indicating whether a link should be displayed as though it were visited
- VisitedLinkColor** Gets/sets the color used when displaying a link that that has been previously visited (**purple**)

- Text** Gets/sets the text associated with the control
- UseMnemonic** Gets/sets **true/false** indicating whether the control interprets an ampersand character (&) in the control's **Text** property to be an access key prefix character
- Links** Gets the collection of **LinkLabel.Link** objects contained within the **LinkLabel**
- Events
- LinkClicked** Occurs when a link is clicked within the control (**default**)

**Example:** Uses three **LinkLabel**s, to link to C:\ drive, the Technical University Web page and the Notepad application.



The class **System.Diagnostics.Process** provides access to local and remote processes and enables to start and stop local system processes.

```

public static Process Start (string fileName);
public static Process Start (string fileName, string arguments);

```

Starts a process resource by specifying the name of an application **fileName** and a set of command-line **arguments**, and associates the resource with a new **Process** component.



```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;

namespace WindowsApplication13
{
    public partial class Form1 : Form
    {
        public Form1()
        { InitializeComponent(); }

        private void driveLinkLabel_LinkClicked(object sender,
            LinkLabelLinkClickedEventArgs e)
        {
            driveLinkLabel.LinkVisited = true;
            System.Diagnostics.Process.Start("C:\\");
        }
    }
}
```

```
private void tuLinkLabel_LinkClicked(object sender,
    LinkLabelLinkClickedEventArgs e)
{
    tuLinkLabel.LinkVisited = true;
    System.Diagnostics.Process.Start
        ("IEExplore", "http://www.tu-sofia.bg");
}

private void notepadLinkLabel_LinkClicked(object sender,
    LinkLabelLinkClickedEventArgs e)
{
    notepadLinkLabel.LinkVisited = true;
    System.Diagnostics.Process.Start("notepad.exe");
}
}
```

```
namespace WindowsApplication13
{
    partial class Form1
    {
        private System.ComponentModel.IContainer components = null;

        protected override void Dispose(bool disposing) { ... }

        #region Windows Form Designer generated code

        private void InitializeComponent()
        {
            this.driveLinkLabel = new System.Windows.Forms.LinkLabel();
            this.tuLinkLabel = new System.Windows.Forms.LinkLabel();
            this.notepadLinkLabel = new System.Windows.Forms.LinkLabel();

            this.driveLinkLabel.Text = "C:\\";
            this.driveLinkLabel.LinkClicked += new
                System.Windows.Forms.LinkLabelLinkClickedEventHandler
                (this.driveLinkLabel_LinkClicked);
        }
    }
}
```

```
this.tuLinkLabel.Text = "Technical University of Sofia";
this.tuLinkLabel.LinkClicked += new
    System.Windows.Forms.LinkLabelLinkClickedEventHandler
    (this.tuLinkLabel_LinkClicked);

this.notepadLinkLabel.Text = "Notepad";
this.notepadLinkLabel.LinkClicked += new
    System.Windows.Forms.LinkLabelLinkClickedEventHandler
    (this.notepadLinkLabel_LinkClicked);

this.Controls.Add(this.notepadLinkLabel);
this.Controls.Add(this.tuLinkLabel);
this.Controls.Add(this.driveLinkLabel);
this.Name = "Form1";
this.Text = "LinkLabel Demo";
...
}
#endregion

private System.Windows.Forms.LinkLabel driveLinkLabel;
private System.Windows.Forms.LinkLabel tuLinkLabel;
private System.Windows.Forms.LinkLabel notepadLinkLabel;
}
```

Control **TreeView**

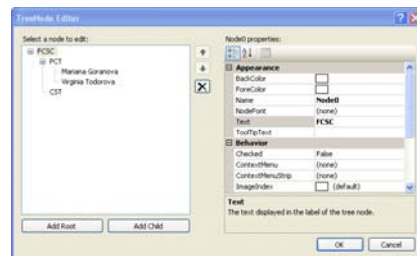
Displays nodes hierarchically on a tree.

A **tree** (class **TreeView**) is a collection of nodes, usually organized in a hierarchical manner.

A **node** (class **TreeNode**) is an object that contains values and can refer to other node.

Creating a Tree

1. **TreeView** ⇒ property **Nodes** ⇒ **TreeNode** Editor



2. Using a code

- Create and add a tree root  
`<myTreeView>.Nodes.Add  
 (new TreeNode(<root_label>);`
- Select a parent node  
`<myTreeView>.Nodes(parent_node_index);`
- Add a child node  
`<myTreeView>.Nodes(parent_node_index).  
 Add(new TreeNode(<child_label>);`

Properties of **TreeView**

- CheckBoxes** Gets/sets **true/false** indicating whether check boxes are displayed next to the tree nodes in the tree view control
- ImageList** Gets/sets the **ImageList** collection that contains the **Image** objects used by the tree nodes
- Nodes** Gets the collection of tree nodes that are assigned to the tree view control.  
 Methods: **Add** (add a node), **Clear** (clear the collection) and **Remove** (delete a node)

Events of the **TreeView**

- AfterSelect** Occurs after the tree node is selected (default)

Properties of **TreeNode**

- Checked** Gets/sets **true/false** indicating whether the node's check box is selected
- FirstNode** Gets the first child tree node in the tree node collection **Nodes**
- FullPath** Gets the path from the root tree node to the current tree node
- ImageIndex** Gets/sets the image list index value of the image displayed when the tree node is in the unselected state
- LastNode** Gets the last child tree node in the collection **Nodes**
- NextNode** Gets the next sibling tree node

**Nodes**

Gets the collection of **TreeNode** objects assigned to the current tree node

**PrevNode**

Gets the previous sibling tree node

**SelectedImageIndex**

Gets or sets the image list index value of the image that is displayed when a tree node is selected

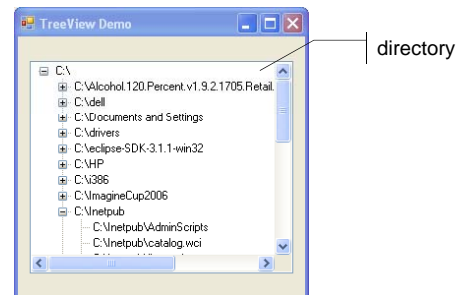
**Text**

Gets/sets the text of the **TreeNode**

Methods of **TreeNode**

- Collapse** Collapses the **TreeNode**
- Expand** Expands the tree node
- ExpandAll** Expands all the child tree nodes
- GetNodeCount** Returns the number of child tree nodes

**Example:** Displays the directory file structure on a computer.



```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;
using System.IO;

namespace WindowsApplication15
{
    public partial class Form1 : Form
    {
        public Form1()
        { InitializeComponent(); }

        private void Form1_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
        {
            directory.Nodes.Add ("C:\\");
            PopulateTreeView ("C:\\", directory.Nodes[0]);
        }
    }
}
```

```
public void PopulateTreeView(string directoryValue,
    TreeNode parentNode)
{
    string[] directoryArray =
        Directory.GetDirectories(directoryValue);
    try
    {
        if (directoryArray.Length != 0)
        {
            foreach (string d in directoryArray)
            {
                TreeNode myNode = new TreeNode(d);
                parentNode.Nodes.Add(myNode);
                PopulateTreeView(d, myNode);
            }
        }
    }
    catch (UnauthorizedAccessException e)
    {
        parentNode.Nodes.Add("Access denied." + e.Message);
    }
}
```

```
namespace WindowsApplication15
{
    partial class Form1
    {
        private System.ComponentModel.IContainer components = null;

        protected override void Dispose(bool disposing) { ... }

        #region Windows Form Designer generated code

        private void InitializeComponent()
        {
            this.directory = new System.Windows.Forms.TreeView();
            this.SuspendLayout();

            // directory
            this.directory.Location = new System.Drawing.Point(12, 25);
            this.directory.Name = "directory";
            this.directory.Size = new System.Drawing.Size(268, 217);
            this.directory.TabIndex = 0;
        }
    }
}
```

```
// Form1
this.AutoScaleDimensions = new System.Drawing.SizeF(6F, 13F);
this.AutoScaleMode = System.Windows.Forms.AutoScaleMode.Font;
this.ClientSize = new System.Drawing.Size(292, 266);
this.Controls.Add(this.directory);
this.Name = "Form1";
this.Text = "TreeView Demo";
this.Load += new System.EventHandler(this.Form1_Load);
this.ResumeLayout(false);
}

#endregion

private System.Windows.Forms.TreeView directory;
}
```

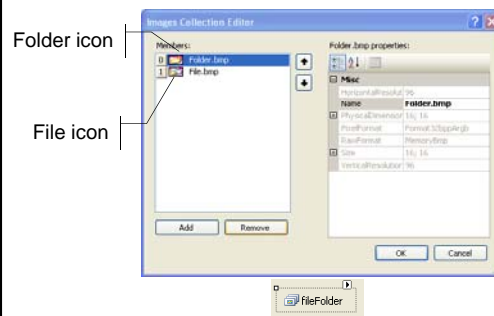
Control **ListView**

Displays a list from which the user can select one or more items (class **ListViewItem**) and can display icons alongside the list items in a variety of ways.

**ImageList** component is used to display images used as icons.

Defining icons for list items

1. ToolBox ⇒ **ImageList** ⇒ property **Images** ⇒ Image Collection Editor ⇒ Add ⇒ choose image ⇒ OK



2. **ListView** ⇒  
 property **SmallImageList** ⇒ object **ImageList**  
 property **LargeImageList** ⇒ object **ImageList**
3. Icons for list items **ListViewItem** –  
 set the item's **ImageIndex** property to the  
 appropriate array index

ListView properties

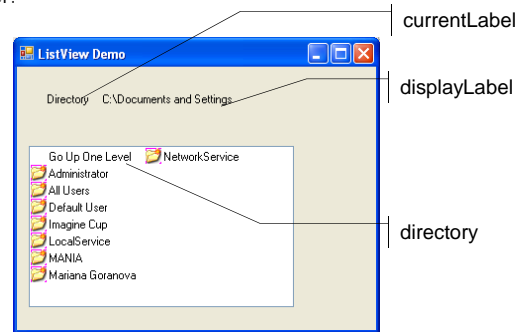
- Activation** Determines how the user activates an item: **OneClick** (<L>), **TwoClick** (<L<sup>2</sup>>, item changes color when selected) and **Standard** (<L<sup>2</sup>>)
- CheckBoxes** Indicates (**true/false**) whether items appear with checkboxes
- LargeImageList** Indicates the **ImageList** used when displaying large icons
- Items** Returns the collection of **ListViewItems** in the control
- MultiSelect** Determines (**true/false**) whether multiple selection is allowed
- SelectedItems** Lists the collection of currently selected items

- SmallImageList** Indicates the **ImageList** used when displaying small icons
- View** Determines appearance of **ListViewItems**: **LargeIcon**, **SmallIcon**, **List** and **Details**

ListView events

- ItemActivate** Generated when an item in the **ListView** is activated; does not specify which item is activated

**Example:** Displays files and folders in a **ListView**, along with small icons representing each file or folder.



```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;
using System.IO;

namespace WindowsApplication16
{
    public partial class Form1 : Form
    {
        private string currentDirectory = Directory.GetCurrentDirectory();

        public Form1()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
        }
    }
}
```

```
private void directory_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    // If a directory is selected
    if (directory.SelectedItems.Count != 0)
    {
        // If the first element is selected (always is Go Up One Level)
        if (directory.Items[0].Selected)
        {
            DirectoryInfo directoryObject = new DirectoryInfo(currentDirectory);
            // If it is not a tree root
            if (directoryObject.Parent != null)
                LoadFilesInDirectory(directoryObject.Parent.FullName);
        }
        else // Traverse the tree
        {
            string chosen = directory.SelectedItems[0].Text;
            if (Directory.Exists(currentDirectory + "\\" + chosen)) // Choose
            {
                if (currentDirectory == "C:\\")
                    LoadFilesInDirectory(currentDirectory + chosen); // directory
                else // or
                    LoadFilesInDirectory(currentDirectory + "\\" + chosen); // file
            }
        }
        displayLabel.Text = currentDirectory;
    }
}
```

```

public void LoadFilesInDirectory(string currentDirectoryValue)
{
    try
    {
        directory.Items.Clear();
        directory.Items.Add("Go Up One Level");
        currentDirectory = currentDirectoryValue;
        DirectoryInfo newCurrentDirectory =
            new DirectoryInfo(currentDirectory);
        DirectoryInfo[] directoryArray =
            newCurrentDirectory.GetDirectories();
        FileInfo[] fileArray = newCurrentDirectory.GetFiles();
        foreach (DirectoryInfo d in directoryArray)
        {
            ListViewItem newDirectoryItem = directory.Items.Add(d.Name);
            newDirectoryItem.ImageIndex=0; // icon for a directory
        }
        foreach (FileInfo file in fileArray)
        {
            ListViewItem newFileItem = directory.Items.Add(file.Name);
            newFileItem.ImageIndex = 1; // icon for a file
        }
    }
    catch (UnauthorizedAccessException)
    {
        MessageBox.Show("Attention: You don't have a prevelege",
            "Attention", 0, MessageBoxIcon.Warning);
    }
}

```

```

private void Form1_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    Image folderImage = Image.FromFile (currentDirectory+"\\Folder.bmp");
    Image fileImage = Image.FromFile (currentDirectory+"\\File.bmp");
    fileFolder.Images.Add (folderImage);
    fileFolder.Images.Add (fileImage);
    LoadFilesInDirectory (currentDirectory);
    displayLabel.Text = currentDirectory;
}
}

```

```

namespace WindowsApplication16
{
    partial class Form1
    {
        private System.ComponentModel.IContainer components = null;

        protected override void Dispose(bool disposing) { ... }

        #region Windows Form Designer generated code

        private void InitializeComponent()
        {
            ...
            this.currentLabel = new System.Windows.Forms.Label();
            this.displayLabel = new System.Windows.Forms.Label();
            this.directory = new System.Windows.Forms.ListView();
            this.fileFolder =
                new System.Windows.Forms.ImageList(this.components);
        }
    }
}

```

```

// directory
this.directory.Location = new System.Drawing.Point(12, 81);
this.directory.Name = "directory";
this.directory.SmallImageList = this.fileFolder;
this.directory.View = System.Windows.Forms.View.List;
this.directory.Click += new System.EventHandler(this.directory_Click);
// fileFolder
this.fileFolder.ImageStream =
    ((System.Windows.Forms.ImageListStreamer)
    (resources.GetObject("fileFolder.ImageStream")));
this.fileFolder.TransparentColor = System.Drawing.Color.Transparent;
this.fileFolder.Images.SetKeyName(0, "Folder.bmp");
this.fileFolder.Images.SetKeyName(1, "File.bmp");
// Form1
this.Controls.Add(this.directory);
this.Controls.Add(this.displayLabel);
this.Controls.Add(this.currentLabel);
this.Text = "ListView Demo";
this.Click += new System.EventHandler(this.directory_Click);
this.Load += new System.EventHandler(this.Form1_Load);
}
#endregion

```

```

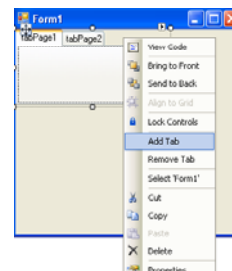
private System.Windows.Forms.Label currentLabel;
private System.Windows.Forms.Label displayLabel;
private System.Windows.Forms.ListView directory;
private System.Windows.Forms.ImageList fileFolder;
}
}

```

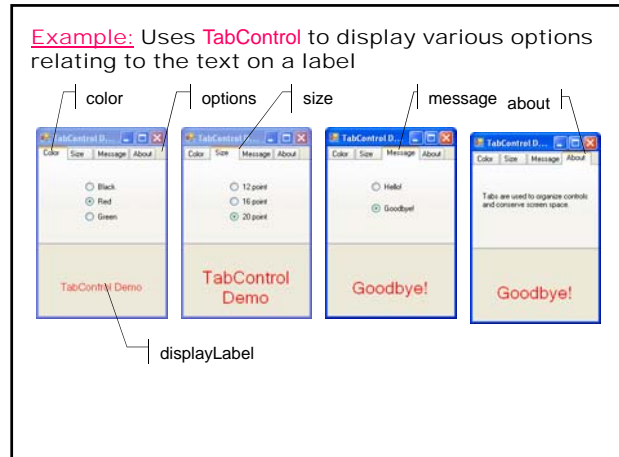
### Control **TabControl**

Creates tabbed windows – fit a large number of controls. Contains **TabPage** objects that contain controls.

<R> **TabControl** ⇒ **AddTab**



<u>Properties</u>	
<b>ImageList</b>	Specifies images to be displayed on a tab
<b>ItemSize</b>	Specifies tab size
<b>MultiLine</b>	Indicates ( <b>true/false</b> ) whether multiple rows of tabs can be displayed
<b>SelectedIndex</b>	Indicates index of <b>TabPage</b> that is currently selected
<b>SelectedTab</b>	Indicates the <b>TabPage</b> that is currently selected
<b>TabCount</b>	Returns the number of tabs
<b>TabPage</b>	Gets the collection of <b>TabPage</b> within the <b>TabControl</b>
<u>Events</u>	
<b>SelectedIndexChanged</b>	Generated when <b>SelectedIndex</b> changes



```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;

namespace WindowsApplication17
{
    public partial class Form1 : Form
    {
        public Form1()
        { InitializeComponent(); }
        private void black_CheckedChanged(object sender, EventArgs e)
        { displayLabel.ForeColor = Color.Black; }

        private void red_CheckedChanged(object sender, EventArgs e)
        { displayLabel.ForeColor = Color.Red; }

        private void green_CheckedChanged(object sender, EventArgs e)
        { displayLabel.ForeColor = Color.Green; }
    }
}
```

```
private void size12_CheckedChanged(object sender, EventArgs e)
{ displayLabel.Font = new Font(displayLabel.Font.Name, 12); }

private void size16_CheckedChanged(object sender, EventArgs e)
{ displayLabel.Font = new Font(displayLabel.Font.Name, 16); }

private void size20_CheckedChanged(object sender, EventArgs e)
{ displayLabel.Font = new Font(displayLabel.Font.Name, 20); }

private void hello_CheckedChanged(object sender, EventArgs e)
{ displayLabel.Text = "Hello!"; }

private void goodbye_CheckedChanged(object sender, EventArgs e)
{ displayLabel.Text = "Goodbye!"; }
}
```

```
namespace WindowsApplication17
{
    partial class Form1
    {
        private System.ComponentModel.IContainer components = null;

        protected override void Dispose(bool disposing) { ... }

        #region Windows Form Designer generated code

        private void InitializeComponent()
        {
            this.options = new System.Windows.Forms.TabControl();
            this.color = new System.Windows.Forms.TabPage();
            this.green = new System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton();
            this.red = new System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton();
            this.black = new System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton();
            this.size = new System.Windows.Forms.TabPage();
            this.message = new System.Windows.Forms.TabPage();
            this.about = new System.Windows.Forms.TabPage();
            this.displayLabel = new System.Windows.Forms.Label();
        }
    }
}
```

```
this.size20 = new System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton();
this.size16 = new System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton();
this.size12 = new System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton();
this.goodbye = new System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton();
this.hello = new System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton();
this.messageLabel = new System.Windows.Forms.Label();
...
// options
this.options.Controls.Add(this.color);
this.options.Controls.Add(this.size);
this.options.Controls.Add(this.message);
this.options.Controls.Add(this.about);
this.options.Name = "options";
this.options.SelectedIndex = 0;

// color
this.color.Controls.Add(this.green);
this.color.Controls.Add(this.red);
this.color.Controls.Add(this.black);
this.color.Name = "color";
this.color.Text = "Color";
```

```
// green
this.green.Name = "green";
this.green.Text = "Green";
this.green.CheckedChanged +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.green_CheckedChanged);

// red
this.red.Name = "red";
this.red.Text = "Red";
this.red.CheckedChanged +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.red_CheckedChanged);

// black
this.black.Checked = true;
this.black.Name = "black";
this.black.Text = "Black";
this.black.CheckedChanged +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.black_CheckedChanged);
```

```
// size
this.size.Controls.Add(this.size20);
this.size.Controls.Add(this.size16);
this.size.Controls.Add(this.size12);
this.size.Name = "size";
this.size.Text = "Size";

// message
this.message.Controls.Add(this.goodbye);
this.message.Controls.Add(this.hello);
this.message.Name = "message";
this.message.Text = "Message";

// about
this.about.Controls.Add(this.messageLabel);
this.about.Name = "about";
this.about.Text = "About";
```

```
// displayLabel
this.displayLabel.Dock = System.Windows.Forms.DockStyle.Bottom;
this.displayLabel.Font = new System.Drawing.Font
    ("Microsoft Sans Serif", 12F, System.Drawing.FontStyle.Regular,
    System.Drawing.GraphicsUnit.Point, ((byte)(204)));
this.displayLabel.Name = "displayLabel";
this.displayLabel.Size = new System.Drawing.Size(195, 91);
this.displayLabel.Text = "TabControl Demo";
this.displayLabel.TextAlign =
    System.Drawing.ContentAlignment.MiddleCenter;

// size20
this.size20.Name = "size20";
this.size20.Size = new System.Drawing.Size(63, 17);
this.size20.Text = "20 point";
this.size20.CheckedChanged +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.size20_CheckedChanged);

// size16
this.size16.Name = "size16";
this.size16.Text = "16 point";
this.size16.CheckedChanged +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.size16_CheckedChanged);
```

```
// size12
this.size12.Checked = true;
this.size12.Name = "size12";
this.size12.Text = "12 point";
this.size12.CheckedChanged +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.size12_CheckedChanged);

// goodbye
this.goodbye.Name = "goodbye";
this.goodbye.Text = "Goodbye!";
this.goodbye.CheckedChanged +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.goodbye_CheckedChanged);

// hello
this.hello.Name = "hello";
this.hello.Text = "Hello!";
this.hello.CheckedChanged +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.hello_CheckedChanged);

// messageLabel
this.messageLabel.Name = "messageLabel";
this.messageLabel.Size = new System.Drawing.Size(177, 37);
this.messageLabel.Text =
    "Tabs are used to organize controls and conserve screen space.";
```

```
// Form1
this.Controls.Add(this.displayLabel);
this.Controls.Add(this.options);
this.Name = "Form1";
this.Text = "TabControl Demo";
}
#endregion
private System.Windows.Forms.TabControl options;
private System.Windows.Forms.TabPage color;
private System.Windows.Forms.TabPage size;
private System.Windows.Forms.TabPage message;
private System.Windows.Forms.TabPage about;
private System.Windows.Forms.Label displayLabel;
private System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton green;
private System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton red;
private System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton black;
private System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton size20;
private System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton size16;
private System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton size12;
private System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton goodbye;
private System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton hello;
private System.Windows.Forms.Label messageLabel;
}
```

## Validating User Input

A control **CausesValidation** property indicates whether the control raises validation events. If **CausesValidation** is set to **true** (default) for a control, when that control receives the focus, the previous control loosing the focus will be validated.

### Validation Events

**Validating** Occurs when focus leaves a control. If control's data is not well-formatted, we can set the **Cancel** property of the **CancelEventArgs** parameter to prevent the focus from changing.

**Validated** Fires after the **Validating** event but before the control loses focus. We cannot cancel this event and it is not useful for checking the user's input.

Control **ErrorProvider**

Displays error information.

Methods

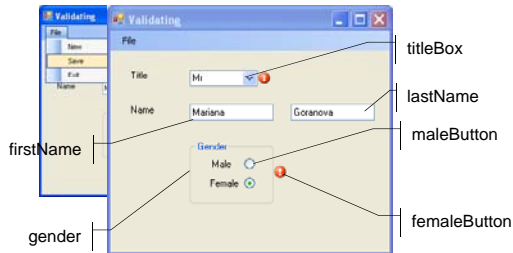
**SetError** Specifies the *control* that the error icon should appear next to, and the *value* of the error message string.

```
public void SetError (Control control, string value);
```

Validating data:

1. Validate the contents of a single control
  - **Validating** event
  - **CausesValidation = true** for all controls on the form to allow the **Validation** event to be raised
2. Validate the contents of multiple controls or an entire form – form-level validation:
  - Create a method that validates all the data on the form
  - Call this method when the data input is complete (Save button)
3. Indicate which values are in error and display error information – use an **ErrorProvider** control
  - Call the **SetError** method to display an error icon and record the error message as a ToolTip

**Example:** Form with a simple cross-check between the contents of the **Title** list box and the radio buttons in the **Gender** group box. When the **Save** menu is selected the method is called that validates all the data on the form.



```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;
```

```
namespace WindowsApplication18
{
    public partial class Form1 : Form
    {
        public Form1()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
            Reset();
        }
        private void Reset()
        {
            titleBox.Text = "Mr";
            firstName.Text = "";
            lastName.Text = "";
            maleButton.Checked = true;
            errorProvider.SetError (gender, "");
            errorProvider.SetError (titleBox, "");
        }
    }
}
```

```
private bool checkTitleAndGender()
{
    if (titleBox.Text == "Mr")
    {
        if (!maleButton.Checked)
        {
            errorProvider.SetError(gender,
                "If the title is Mr the gender must be male");
            errorProvider.SetError(titleBox,
                "If the gender is female the title must be Mrs, Miss, or Ms");
            return false;
        }
    }
    else if (titleBox.Text == "Mrs" || titleBox.Text == "Miss" ||
        titleBox.Text == "Ms")
    {
        if (!femaleButton.Checked)
        {
            errorProvider.SetError(gender,
                "If the title is Mrs, Miss, or Ms the gender must be female");
            errorProvider.SetError(titleBox,
                "If the gender is male the title must be Mr");
            return false;
        }
    }
    errorProvider.SetError (gender, "");
    errorProvider.SetError (titleBox, "");
    return true;
}
```

```
private void newToolStripMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    Reset();
}

private void exitToolStripMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    this.Close();
}

private void saveToolStripMenuItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    // If the check is not successful
    if (!checkTitleAndGender())
        e.Cancel = true;
}
}
```



```
namespace WindowsApplication18
{
    partial class Form1
    {
        private System.ComponentModel.IContainer components = null;

        protected override void Dispose(bool disposing) { ... }

        #region Windows Form Designer generated code
        private void InitializeComponent()
        {
            ...
            // menuStrip1
            this.menuStrip1.Items.AddRange(new
                System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[] {this.fileToolStripMenuItem});
            this.menuStrip1.Name = "menuStrip1";
            this.menuStrip1.Text = "menuStrip1";
            // fileToolStripMenuItem
            this.fileToolStripMenuItem.DropDownItems.AddRange(
                new System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[] {
                    this.newToolStripMenuItem, this.saveToolStripMenuItem,
                    this.exitToolStripMenuItem});
            this.fileToolStripMenuItem.Name = "fileToolStripMenuItem";
            this.fileToolStripMenuItem.Text = "File";
        }
    }
}
```

```
// newToolStripMenuItem
this.newToolStripMenuItem.Name = "newToolStripMenuItem";
this.newToolStripMenuItem.Text = "New";
this.newToolStripMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.newToolStripMenuItem_Click);

// saveToolStripMenuItem
this.saveToolStripMenuItem.Name = "saveToolStripMenuItem";
this.saveToolStripMenuItem.Text = "Save";
this.saveToolStripMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.saveToolStripMenuItem_Click);

// exitToolStripMenuItem
this.exitToolStripMenuItem.Name = "exitToolStripMenuItem";
this.exitToolStripMenuItem.Text = "Exit";
this.exitToolStripMenuItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.exitToolStripMenuItem_Click);

// titleLabel
this.titleLabel.Name = "titleLabel";
this.titleLabel.Text = "Title";
```

```
// titleLabel
this.titleLabel.Items.AddRange(new object[] { "Mr", "Mrs", "Miss", "Ms" });
this.titleLabel.Name = "titleLabel";

// nameLabel
this.nameLabel.Name = "nameLabel";
this.nameLabel.Text = "Name";

// firstName
this.firstName.Name = "firstName";
// lastName
this.lastName.Name = "lastName";
// gender
this.gender.Controls.Add(this.femaleButton);
this.gender.Controls.Add(this.maleButton);
this.gender.Name = "gender";
this.gender.Text = "Gender";
// maleButton
this.maleButton.Name = "maleButton";
this.maleButton.RightToLeft =
    System.Windows.Forms.RightToLeft.Yes;
this.maleButton.Text = "Male";
```

```
// femaleButton
this.femaleButton.Name = "femaleButton";
this.femaleButton.RightToLeft =
    System.Windows.Forms.RightToLeft.Yes;
this.femaleButton.Text = "Female";
// errorProvider
this.errorProvider.ContainerControl = this;
// Form1
this.Controls.Add(this.gender);
this.Controls.Add(this.lastName);
this.Controls.Add(this.firstName);
this.Controls.Add(this.nameLabel);
this.Controls.Add(this.titleLabel);
this.Controls.Add(this.menuStrip1);
this.MainMenuStrip = this.menuStrip1;
this.Name = "Form1";
this.Text = "Validating";
}

#endregion
```

```
private System.Windows.Forms.MenuStrip menuStrip1;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem
    fileToolStripMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem
    newToolStripMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem
    saveToolStripMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem
    exitToolStripMenuItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.Label titleLabel;
private System.Windows.Forms.ComboBox titleLabel;
private System.Windows.Forms.Label nameLabel;
private System.Windows.Forms.TextBox firstName;
private System.Windows.Forms.TextBox lastName;
private System.Windows.Forms.GroupBox gender;
private System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton femaleButton;
private System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton maleButton;
private System.Windows.Forms.ErrorProvider errorProvider;
}
}
```

If we validate the contents of a single control (input a title), we use the **Validating** event:

```
private void titleValidating(object sender,
    System.ComponentModel.CancelEventArgs e)
{
    // If the check is not successful
    if (IcheckTitleAndGender())
        e.Cancel = true;
}
```

## Multiple-Document Interface (MDI) Applications

### Different styles for the user interface

1. Single-document interface (SDI)
2. Multiple-document interface (MDI)
3. Explorer-style interface

### Creating MDI application

1. Creating a parent form
  - `IsMdiContainer = true;`
  - `LayoutMdi ()` method – arranges child forms in an MDI parent form
2. Creating a child-form
3. Calling a child from a parent form

### Determining the active MDI child

#### Property

`ActiveMdiChild` returns the current active child form.

**Example:** MDI application – when the user opens a **New** window then the menu **Save** appears. When the user wants to save the file he/she uses a `SaveFileDialog` control.



```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;
```

```
namespace WindowsApplication19
{
    public partial class Form1 : Form
    {
        private int childCount;

        public Form1()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
            childCount = 0;
        }
    }
}
```

```
private void newItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    MDIChild childForm = new MDIChild(); // Create a child form
    childForm.MdiParent = this; // Set the parent form of the child window
    childCount++;
    childForm.Text = childForm.Text + " " + childCount;
    childForm.Show(); // Display the child form
}

private void closeItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    // Determining the active child form
    Form childForm = this.ActiveMdiChild;
    if (childForm != null)
        childForm.Close();
}

private void exitItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    this.Close();
}
```

```
private void cascadelItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    this.LayoutMdi(MdiLayout.Cascade);
}

private void horizontalItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    this.LayoutMdi(MdiLayout.TileHorizontal);
}

private void verticalItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    this.LayoutMdi(MdiLayout.TileVertical);
}

private void aboutItem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    About aboutDialog = new About();
    aboutDialog.ShowDialog();
}
}
```

```
namespace WindowsApplication19
{
    partial class Form1
    {
        private System.ComponentModel.IContainer components = null;

        protected override void Dispose(bool disposing) { ... }

        #region Windows Form Designer generated code

        private void InitializeComponent()
        {
            ...
            // mdiMenu
            this.mdiMenu.Items.AddRange
            (new System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[]
            {this.filleItem, this.windowItem, this.helpItem});
            this.mdiMenu.MdiWindowListItem = this.windowItem;
            this.mdiMenu.Name = "mdiMenu";
            this.mdiMenu.Text = "menuStrip1";
        }
    }
}
```

Create an MDI window list on a MenuStrip

```
// filleItem
this.filleItem.DropDownItems.AddRange
(new System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[]
{this.newItem, this.closeItem, this.exitItem});
this.filleItem.MergeAction =
    System.Windows.Forms.MergeAction.MatchOnly;
this.filleItem.MergeIndex = 0;
this.filleItem.Name = "filleItem";
this.filleItem.Text = "File";
// newItem
this.newItem.MergeAction =
    System.Windows.Forms.MergeAction.Insert;
this.newItem.MergeIndex = 0;
this.newItem.Name = "newItem";
this.newItem.Text = "New";
this.newItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.newItem_Click);
```

MergeAction = MergeAction.MatchOnly  
Child menu will be nested into parent menu

MergeAction = MergeAction.Insert  
Child menu is inserted into parent menu

```
// closeItem
this.closeItem.MergeAction =
    System.Windows.Forms.MergeAction.Insert;
this.closeItem.MergeIndex = 2;
this.closeItem.Name = "closeItem";
this.closeItem.Text = "Close";
this.closeItem.Click += new System.EventHandler(this.closeItem_Click);

// exitItem
this.exitItem.MergeAction =
    System.Windows.Forms.MergeAction.Insert;
this.exitItem.MergeIndex = 4;
this.exitItem.Name = "exitItem";
this.exitItem.Text = "Exit";
this.exitItem.Click += new System.EventHandler(this.exitItem_Click);

// windowItem
this.windowItem.DropDownItems.AddRange
(new System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[]
{this.cascadeItem, this.horizontalItem, this.verticalItem});
this.windowItem.Name = "windowItem";
this.windowItem.Text = "Window";
```

```
// cascadeItem
this.cascadeItem.Name = "cascadeItem";
this.cascadeItem.Text = "Cascade";
this.cascadeItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.cascadeItem_Click);

// horizontalItem
this.horizontalItem.Name = "horizontalItem";
this.horizontalItem.Text = "Horizontal";
this.horizontalItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.horizontalItem_Click);

// verticalItem
this.verticalItem.Name = "verticalItem";
this.verticalItem.Text = "Vertical";
this.verticalItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.verticalItem_Click);

// helpItem
this.helpItem.DropDownItems.AddRange
(new System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[] {this.aboutItem});
this.helpItem.Name = "helpItem";
this.helpItem.Text = "Help";
```

```
// aboutItem
this.aboutItem.Name = "aboutItem";
this.aboutItem.Text = "About";
this.aboutItem.Click +=
    new System.EventHandler(this.aboutItem_Click);

// Form1
this.Controls.Add(this.mdiMenu);
this.IsMdiContainer = true;
this.MainMenuStrip = this.mdiMenu;
this.Name = "Form1";
this.Text = "MDI Demo";
}

#endregion
```

```
private System.Windows.Forms.MenuStrip mdiMenu;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem filleItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem newItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem closeItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem windowItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem cascadeItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem horizontalItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem verticalItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem helpItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem aboutItem;
}
```

```
// Project => Add Windows Form

using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;
using System.IO;

namespace WindowsApplication19
{
    public partial class MDIChild : Form
    {
        public MDIChild()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
        }
    }
}
```

```
private void saveltem_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    DialogResult buttonClicked = saveFileDialog.ShowDialog();
    if (buttonClicked.Equals(DialogResult.OK))
    {
        Stream saveStream = saveFileDialog.OpenFile();
        StreamWriter saveWriter = new StreamWriter(saveStream);
        foreach (string line in editData.Lines)
            saveWriter.WriteLine(line);
        saveWriter.Close();
    }
}
```

```
namespace WindowsApplication19
{
    partial class MDIChild
    {
        private System.ComponentModel.IContainer components = null;

        protected override void Dispose(bool disposing) { ... }

        #region Windows Form Designer generated code

        private void InitializeComponent()
        {
            ...
            // childMenu
            this.childMenu.Items.AddRange(
                (new System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[] { this.fileItem});
            this.childMenu.Name = "childMenu";
            this.childMenu.Text = "menuStrip1";
            this.childMenu.Visible = false;
        }
    }
}
```

```
// fileItem
this.fileItem.DropDownItems.AddRange(
    (new System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[]
    {this.saveltem, this.separatorItem});
this.fileItem.MergeAction =
    System.Windows.Forms.MergeAction.MatchOnly;
this.fileItem.MergeIndex = 0;
this.fileItem.Name = "fileItem";
this.fileItem.Text = "File";

// saveltem
this.saveltem.MergeAction =
    System.Windows.Forms.MergeAction.Insert;
this.saveltem.MergeIndex = 1;
this.saveltem.Name = "saveltem";
this.saveltem.Text = "Save";
this.saveltem.Click += new System.EventHandler(this.saveltem_Click);

// separatorItem
this.separatorItem.MergeAction =
    System.Windows.Forms.MergeAction.Insert;
this.separatorItem.MergeIndex = 3;
this.separatorItem.Name = "separatorItem";
```

```
// editData
this.editData.Dock = System.Windows.Forms.DockStyle.Fill;
this.editData.Multiline = true;
this.editData.Name = "editData";

// MDIChild
this.Controls.Add(this.editData);
this.Controls.Add(this.childMenu);
this.MainMenuStrip = this.childMenu;
this.Name = "MDIChild";
this.Text = "MDIChild";
}
#endregion

private System.Windows.Forms.MenuStrip childMenu;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem fileItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripMenuItem saveltem;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripSeparator separatorItem;
private System.Windows.Forms.TextBox editData;
private System.Windows.Forms.SaveFileDialog saveFileDialog;
}
```

```
// Project => Add Windows Form
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;

namespace WindowsApplication19
{
    public partial class About : Form
    {
        public About()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
        }

        private void ok_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
        {
            this.Close();
        }
    }
}
```

```
namespace WindowsApplication19
{
    partial class About
    {
        private System.ComponentModel.IContainer components = null;

        protected override void Dispose(bool disposing) { ... }

        #region Windows Form Designer generated code

        private void InitializeComponent()
        {
            // label1
            this.label1.Image =
                global::WindowsApplication19.Properties.Resources.doctor;
            this.label1.Name = "label1";

            // label2
            this.label2.Name = "label2";
            this.label2.Text = "MDI Demo";
        }
    }
}
```

```
// ok
this.ok.Name = "ok";
this.ok.Text = "OK";
this.ok.Click += new System.EventHandler(this.ok_Click);

// About
this.Controls.Add(this.ok);
this.Controls.Add(this.label2);
this.Controls.Add(this.label1);
this.Name = "About";
this.Text = "About";
}

#endregion

private System.Windows.Forms.Label label1;
private System.Windows.Forms.Label label2;
private System.Windows.Forms.Button ok;
}
```

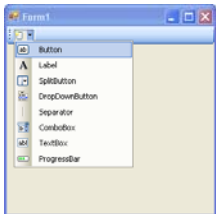
### Toolbar and Status Bar

Control **ToolStrip** (ToolBar)

Creates advanced toolbar functionality that has consistent and professional appearance and behavior.

**ToolStrip** is a **ToolStripItem** container for items:

- ToolStripLabel**
- ToolStripButton**
- ToolStripSeparator**
- ToolStripControlHost**
- ToolStripDropDownItem**
- ToolStripComboBox**
- ToolStripTextBox**
- ToolStripProgressBar**
- ToolStripDropDownButton**
- ToolStripSplitButton**



Events for **ToolStrip**


**ItemClicked** Occurs when the **ToolStripItem** is clicked (default).

Control **StatusStrip** (StatusBar)

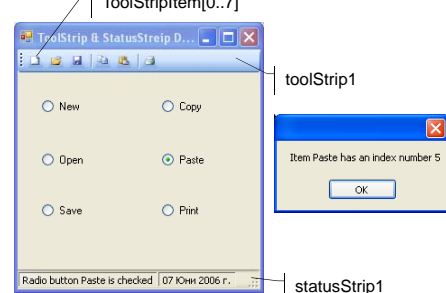
Displays information about an object being viewed on a **Form**, the object's components, or contextual information that relates to that object's operation within the application.

**StatusStrip** is a **ToolStripItem** container for items:

- StatusStripLabel**
- StatusStripSplitButton**
- StatusStripDropDownButton**
- StatusStripStatusLabel**
- StatusStripProgressBar**
- StatusStripControlHost**



**Example:** Application with toolbar and status bar. When the user clicks a toolbar item the **Checked** property of the corresponding radio button is set to **true**. The status bar labels display which radio button is checked and the current date.



```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;

namespace WindowsApplication20
{
    public partial class Form1 : Form
    {
        private string labelText;

        public Form1()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
        }
    }
}
```

```
private void toolStrip1_ItemClicked(object sender,
    ToolStripItemClickedEventArgs e)
{
    switch(e.ClickedItem.Text)
    {
        case "New":
            newRadioButton.Checked = true;
            labelText = "Radio button " + newRadioButton.Text + " is checked";
            break;
        case "Open":
            openRadioButton.Checked = true;
            labelText = "Radio button " + openRadioButton.Text + " is checked";
            break;
        case "Save":
            saveRadioButton.Checked = true;
            labelText = "Radio button " + saveRadioButton.Text + " is checked";
            break;
        case "Copy":
            copyRadioButton.Checked = true;
            labelText = "Radio button " + copyRadioButton.Text + " is checked";
            break;
    }
}
```

```
        case "Paste":
            pasteRadioButton.Checked = true;
            labelText = "Radio button " + pasteRadioButton.Text + " is checked";
            break;
        case "Print":
            printRadioButton.Checked = true;
            labelText = "Radio button " + printRadioButton.Text + " is checked";
            break;
    }
    label1.Text = labelText;
    MessageBox.Show("Item " + e.ClickedItem.ToString()
        + " has an index number " + toolStrip1.Items.IndexOf(e.ClickedItem));
}
```

```
private void Form1_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    label1.ToolTipText = "Current checked radio button";
    label2.ToolTipText = "Current date";
    label1.Text = "Radio button " + newRadioButton.Text + " is checked";
    label2.Text = System.DateTime.Now.ToLongDateString();
    newRadioButton.Checked = true;
}
}
```

```
namespace WindowsApplication20
{
    partial class Form1
    {
        private System.ComponentModel.IContainer components = null;
        protected override void Dispose(bool disposing) { ... }

        #region Windows Form Designer generated code

        private void InitializeComponent()
        {
            ...
            // toolStrip1
            this.toolStrip1.Items.AddRange(
                new System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[] { this.toolStripButton1,
                this.toolStripButton2, this.toolStripButton3, this.toolStripSeparator1,
                this.toolStripButton4, this.toolStripButton5, this.toolStripSeparator2,
                this.toolStripButton6});
            this.toolStrip1.Name = "toolStrip1";
            this.toolStrip1.Text = "New";
            this.toolStrip1.ItemClicked +=
                new System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItemClickedEventHandler(
                    this.toolStrip1_ItemClicked);
        }
    }
}
```

```
// toolStripButton1
this.toolStripButton1.Image = ((System.Drawing.Image)
    (resources.GetObject("toolStripButton1.Image")));
this.toolStripButton1.Name = "toolStripButton1";
this.toolStripButton1.Text = "New";

// toolStripButton2
this.toolStripButton2.Image = ((System.Drawing.Image)
    (resources.GetObject("toolStripButton2.Image")));
this.toolStripButton2.Name = "toolStripButton2";
this.toolStripButton2.Text = "Open";

// toolStripButton3
this.toolStripButton3.Image = ((System.Drawing.Image)
    (resources.GetObject("toolStripButton3.Image")));
this.toolStripButton3.Name = "toolStripButton3";
this.toolStripButton3.Text = "Save";

// toolStripSeparator1
this.toolStripSeparator1.Name = "toolStripSeparator1";
```

```

// toolStripButton4
this.toolStripButtons4.Image = ((System.Drawing.Image)
    (resources.GetObject("toolStripButtons4.Image")));
this.toolStripButtons4.Name = "toolStripButtons4";
this.toolStripButtons4.Text = "Copy";

// toolStripButton5
this.toolStripButtons5.Image = ((System.Drawing.Image)
    (resources.GetObject("toolStripButtons5.Image")));
this.toolStripButtons5.Name = "toolStripButtons5";
this.toolStripButtons5.Text = "Paste";

// toolStripSeparator2
this.toolStripSeparator2.Name = "toolStripSeparator2";

// toolStripButton6
this.toolStripButtons6.Image = ((System.Drawing.Image)
    (resources.GetObject("toolStripButtons6.Image")));
this.toolStripButtons6.Name = "toolStripButtons6";
this.toolStripButtons6.Text = "Print";

```

```

// newRadioButton
this.newRadioButton.Name = "newRadioButton";
this.newRadioButton.Text = "New";

// openRadioButton
this.openRadioButton.Name = "openRadioButton";
this.openRadioButton.Text = "Open";

// saveRadioButton
this.saveRadioButton.Name = "saveRadioButton";
this.saveRadioButton.Text = "Save";

// copyRadioButton
this.copyRadioButton.Name = "copyRadioButton";
this.copyRadioButton.Text = "Copy";

// pasteRadioButton
this.pasteRadioButton.Name = "pasteRadioButton";
this.pasteRadioButton.Text = "Paste";
// printRadioButton
this.printRadioButton.Name = "printRadioButton";
this.printRadioButton.Text = "Print";

```

```

// statusStrip1
this.statusStrip1.Items.AddRange
    (new System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripItem[] {this.label1, this.label2});
this.statusStrip1.Text = "statusStrip1";

// label1
this.label1.BorderSides =
    ((System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripStatusLabelBorderSides)
    (((System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripStatusLabelBorderSides.Left |
    System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripStatusLabelBorderSides.Top) |
    System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripStatusLabelBorderSides.Right) |
    System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripStatusLabelBorderSides.Bottom));
this.label1.BorderStyle =
    System.Windows.Forms.Border3DStyle.SunkenInner;
this.label1.Name = "label1";
this.label1.Text = "toolStripStatusLabel1";

```

```

// label2
this.label2.BorderSides =
    ((System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripStatusLabelBorderSides)
    (((System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripStatusLabelBorderSides.Left |
    System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripStatusLabelBorderSides.Top) |
    System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripStatusLabelBorderSides.Right) |
    System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripStatusLabelBorderSides.Bottom));
this.label2.BorderStyle =
    System.Windows.Forms.Border3DStyle.SunkenInner;
this.label2.Name = "label2";
this.label2.Text = "toolStripStatusLabel1";

```

```

// Form1
this.Controls.Add(this.statusStrip1);
this.Controls.Add(this.printRadioButton);
this.Controls.Add(this.pasteRadioButton);
this.Controls.Add(this.copyRadioButton);
this.Controls.Add(this.saveRadioButton);
this.Controls.Add(this.openRadioButton);
this.Controls.Add(this.newRadioButton);
this.Controls.Add(this.toolStrip1);
this.Name = "Form1";
this.Text = "ToolStrip & StatusStrip Demo";
this.Load += new System.EventHandler(this.Form1_Load);
}

#endregion

```

```

private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStrip toolStrip1;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripButton toolStripButtons1;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripButton toolStripButtons2;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripButton toolStripButtons3;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripSeparator toolStripSeparator1;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripButton toolStripButtons4;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripButton toolStripButtons5;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripSeparator toolStripSeparator2;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripButton toolStripButtons6;
private System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton newRadioButton;
private System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton openRadioButton;
private System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton saveRadioButton;
private System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton pasteRadioButton;
private System.Windows.Forms.RadioButton printRadioButton;
private System.Windows.Forms.StatusStrip statusStrip1;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripStatusLabel label1;
private System.Windows.Forms.ToolStripStatusLabel label2;
}

```