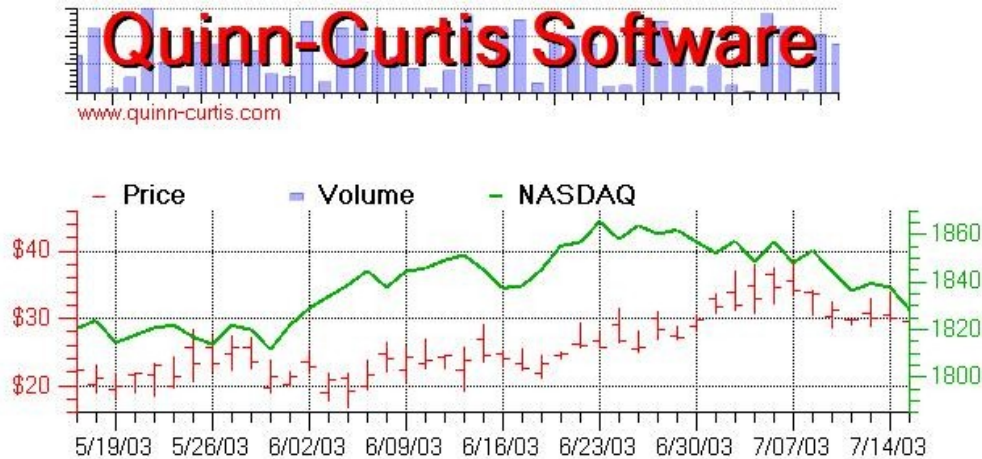# QCChart2D Charting Tools for .Net



"On inspecting any one of these Charts attentively, a sufficiently distinct impression will be made, to remain unimparied for a considerable time, and the idea which does remain will be simple and complete, at once including the duration and the amount."

*William Playfair, the father of statistical graphics, in 1786*

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# 1. Introduction

## New Features found in the 3.1 version of QCChart2D

This version adds no new charting features to the software. Instead updates the software to use the Microsoft Windows .Net 6 Framework.  The .Net 6 version of the Framework is the current  version which has long term support from Microsoft. There is a .Net 7 version of the Framework, but that version does not promise long term support from Microsoft. There is a .Net 8 version, but that is in early stages of testing.

Unlike  earlier .Net version upgrades, going from .Net 4 to .Net 6 is a major upgrade. You are not able to just change the supported version of .Net in the projects properties. If you try, .Net 6 will not be listed. Instead, you have to create a new project from scratch, and the Visual Studio project wizard will include .Net 6 support in the new project by default. Then you will have to add back in all of your source files, correcting any anatomies that pop-up. Once you do that, you will end up with a project that uses the .Net 6 Framework.

We did not have any success using the so-called Upgrade Assistant for converting existing projects to .Net 6 projects, so we are not going to spend any time on that. Instead, assume that you will always need to recreate your project from scratch. There are only a couple of changes you need to make in a  .Net 6 project in order to use the .Net 6 version of our software. First, the DLL name has changed (it now ends in "net6"):


 qcchart2dnet.dll → qcchart2dnet6.dll.

Second, the namespace for the library has changed (it now ends in a "net6"):

com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet → com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet6.

So when you look to add the DLL as a project reference, look for the qcchart2dnet6.dll file. And when you reference the namespace at the top of any files that references the QCChart2D classes, use  com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet6. In this case the include section of your code might look like:

```
using System;
using System.Windows;
using System.Windows.Input;
using System.Windows.Media;
using com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet6;
```

We have eliminated the ASP.Net examples. Microsoft no longer supports Asp.Net webforms in .Net 6. If you want to add QCChart2D charts to a web page, use the JavaScript/TypeScript version of this software. That will enable you to add fully interactive charts to any sort of web framework that supports standard HTML and JavaScript.

Finally, we have removed the Visual Basic programming examples from the software. You will find references to Visual Basic in the manual, but we aren't going to recreate the Visual Basic example projects, because it is more trouble than it is worth. Even Microsoft has declared Visual Basic a dead language and they will not be evolving it to match new features added to C#.

# New Features found in the 3.0 version of QCChart2D

Revision 3.0 is all about the QCSPCChart software. It was rewritten to utilize the Event-Based charting added to QCChart2D a couple of years ago. No new features have been added to the QCChart2D software. You can read about what's new in Revision 3 of QCSPCChart in the QCSPCChart manual, if you have that product, or on our website at www.quinn-curtis.com. The revision change is just to QCSPCChart, QCRTGraph and QCChart2D in sync.

# New Features found in the 2.3 version of QCChart2D

**Event-Based Charting**
A new set of classes have been added in support of new, event-based plotting system. In event-based plotting, the coordinate system is scaled to the number of event objects. Each event object represents an x-value, and one or more y-values. The x-value can be time based, or numeric based, while the y-values are numeric based. Since an event object can represent one or more y-values for a single x-value, it can be used as the source for simple plot types (simple line plot, simple bar plot, simple scatter plot, simple line marker plot) and group plot types (open-high-low-close plots, candlestick plots, group bars, stacked bars, etc.). Event objects can also store custom data tooltips, and x-axis strings. The most common use for event-based plotting will be for displaying time-based data which is discontinuous: financial markets data for example. In financial markets, the number trading hours in a day may change, and the actual trading days. Weekends, holidays, and unused portions of the day can be excluded from the plot scale, producing continuous plots of discontinuous data. The following classes have been added to the software in support of event-based charting.

- **ChartEvent** - A ChartEvent object stores the position value, the time stamp, y-values, and custom strings associated with the event.
- **EventArray** - A utility array class used to store ChartEvent objects
- **EventAutoScale** – An auto-scale class used by the EventCoordinates class.
- **EventAxis** - Displays an axis based on an EventCoordinates scale

- **EventAxisLabels** – Displays the string labels labeling the tick marks of an EventAxis
- **EventCoordinates** – Event coordinates define a coordinate system based on the the attached Event datasets
- **EventGroupDataset** – A group dataset which uses ChartEvent objects as the source of the data. It is used to feed data into the group plotting routines.
- **EventScale** – An event scale class used to convert between event coordinates and device coordinates.
- **EventSimpleDataset** - A simple dataset which uses ChartEvent objects as the source of the data. It is used to feed data into the simple plotting routines.
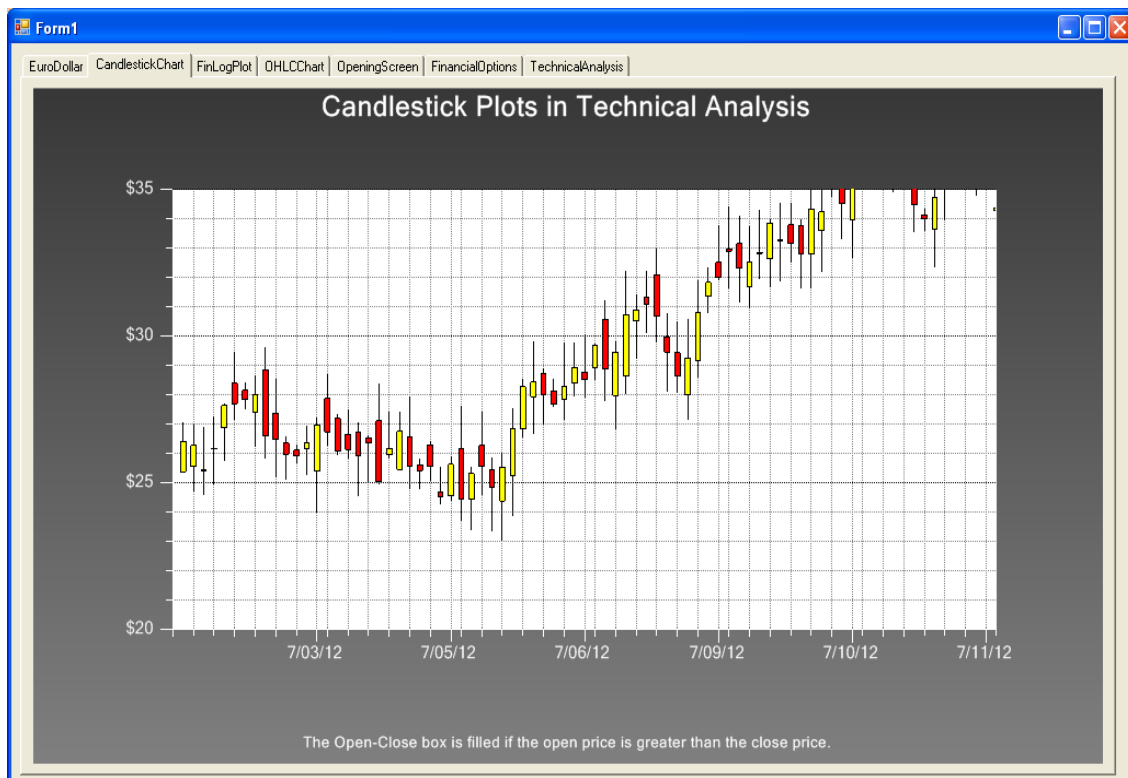


Event coordinates transition smoothly across holidays, weekends, and unused hours of the day.

## New Features found in the 2.0 version of QCChart2D

Many new features have been added to Revision 2.0 of QCChart2D for .Net. Existing classes have been extended, and new classes added. Features new to Revision 2.0 include:

- Five new plot types for the Cartesian, time and elapsed Time coordinate systems: **BoxWiskerPlot**, **FloatingStackedBarPlot**, **RingChart**, **SimpleVersaPlot**, and **GroupVersaPlot**

- Antenna Charts - includes coordinate system (**AntennaCoordinates**), axes (**AntennaAxes**), axes labels (**AntennaAxesLabels**), grid (**AntennaGrid**) and plot objects (**AntennaLinePlot**, **AntennaScatterPlot**, **AntennaLineMarkerPlot** and **AntennaAnnotation**).
- Elapsed time scaling to compliment the time/date scaling. This includes new dataset types (**ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset**, **ElapsedTimeGroupDataset**), a new coordinate system class (**ElapsedTimeCoordinates**), a new axis class (**ElapsedTimeAxis**) and a new axis labels class (**ElapsedTimeAxisLabels**).
- Vertical axis scaling for time/date and elapsed time
- A **DatasetViewer** class for the grid-like display of dataset information in a table.
- The **MagniView** class represents a new way to zoom data
- A **CoordinateMove** class is used to pan the coordinate system, left, right, up, down.
- New **ChartZoom** feature add integrated zoom stack processing, and fixed aspect ratio zooming.

## New Plot Types

Five new general plot types have been added to the software for use with **CartesianCoordinates**, **TimeCoordinates** and **ElapsedTimeCoordinates**: box and whisker plots (**BoxWhiskerPlot**), floating stacked bar plots (**FloatingStackedBarPlot**), ring charts, simple versa plots (**SimpleVersaPlot**), group versa plots (**GroupVersaPlot**).
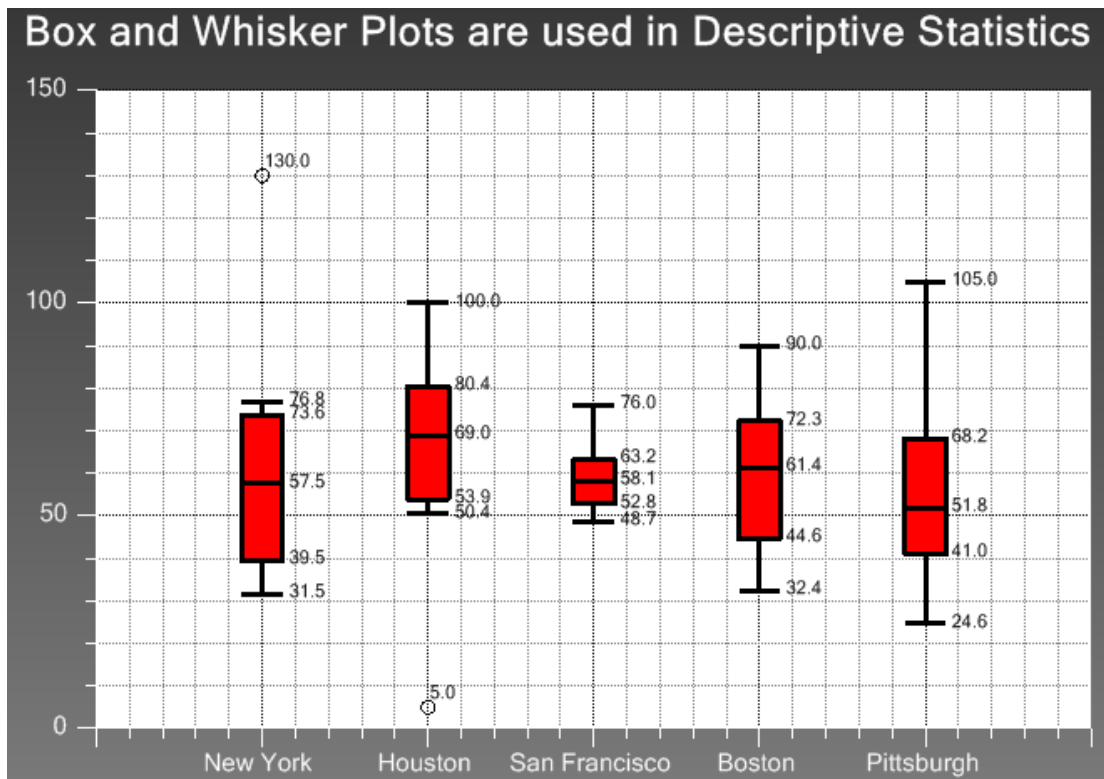


*A Box and Whisker plot*

The **BoxWhiskerPlot** class graphically depicts groups of numerical data through their five-number summaries (the smallest observation, lower quartile (Q1), median (Q2), upper quartile (Q3), and largest observation).
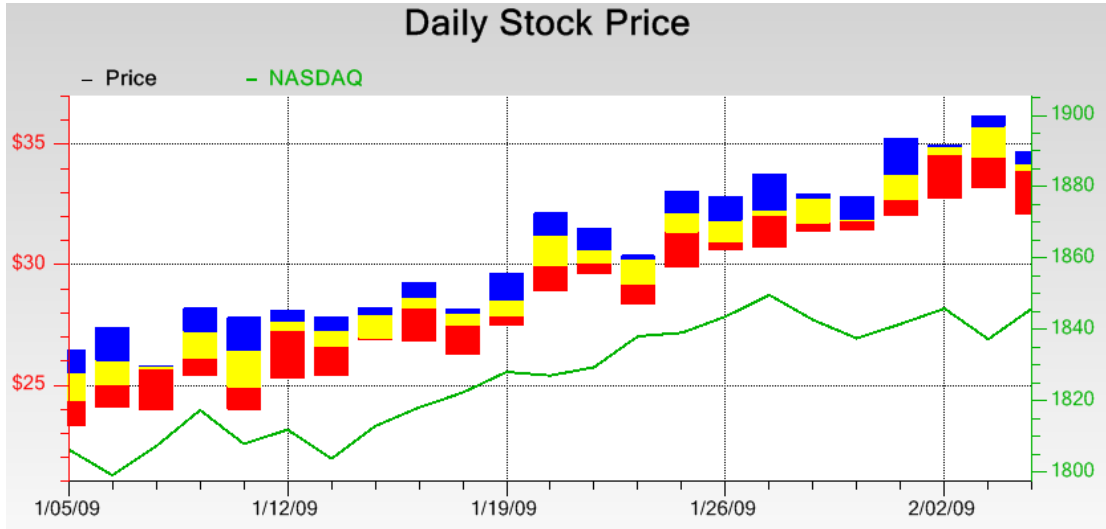


*A Floating Stacked Bar plot*

In the **FloatingStackedBarPlot**, the bars are free floating because each bar does not reference a fixed base value, as do simple bar plots, stacked bar plots and group bar plots.
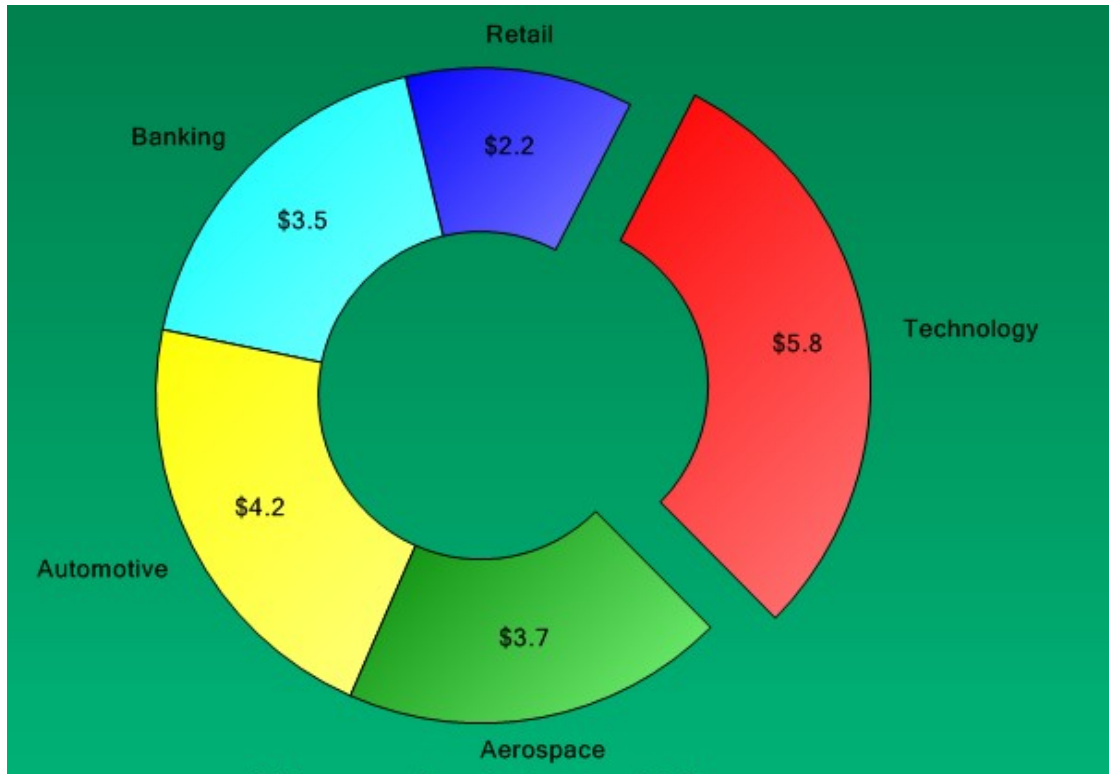
*A Ring chart*

The ring chart is a similar to a pie chart. It uses segmented rings instead of pie shaped wedges.

The **SimpleVersaPlot** plot type can look like any of the simple plot types while the **GroupVersaPlot** type can look like any of the group plot types.
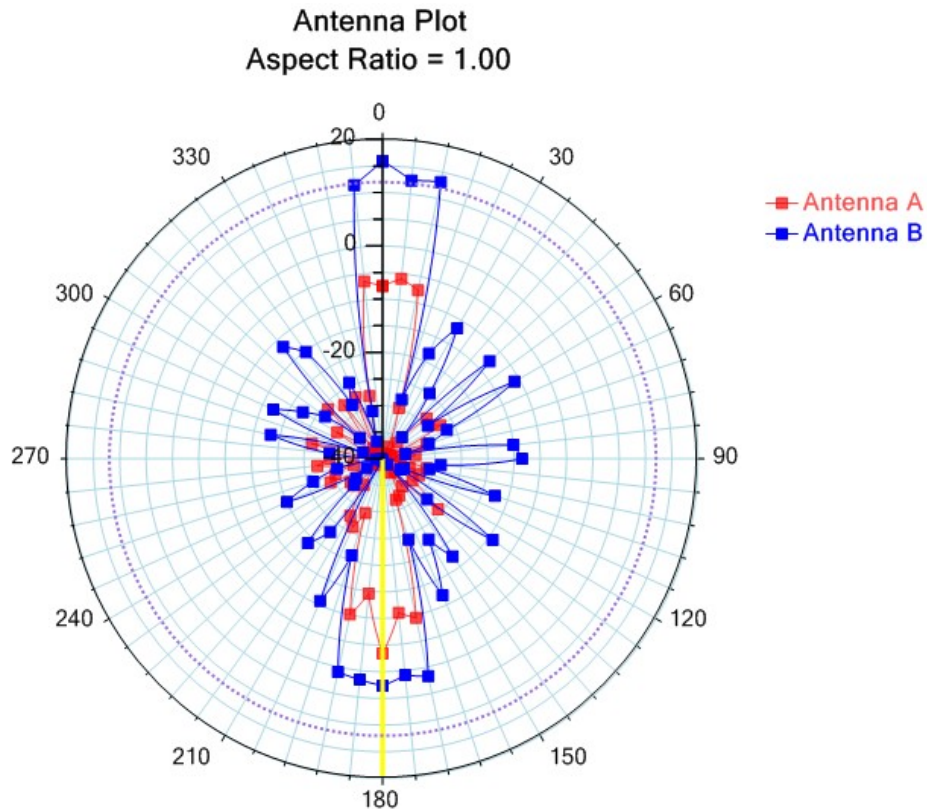
*Antenna chart*

An Antenna chart (named Antenna because it is commonly used by engineers plotting the performance characteristics of an antenna design) is a circular chart type similar to a polar chart. Data is specified using a pair of values, (radius, angle), where the angle is in degrees. 12:00 is zero degrees and the angle increases clockwise. This contrasts to a polar chart, where 3:00 is zero radians and the angle increases counter-clockwise. Also, antenna radar chart allows plus/minus scaling of the radius, for example:  the radius can be scaled from -40 to 20, as in the picture above. The Antenna chart uses a unique coordinate system (**AntennaCoordinates**), axes (**AntennaAxes**), axes labels (**AntennaAxesLabels**), grid (**AntennaGrid**) and plot objects (**AntennaLinePlot**, **AntennaScatterPlot**, **AntennaLineMarkerPlot** and **AntennaAnnotation**).

## New Coordinate System Features

**A TimeCoordinates coordinate system can now have a vertical time/date scale**
The **TimeCoordinates** class now supports time/date scaling for both the x- and y-axis of a chart.
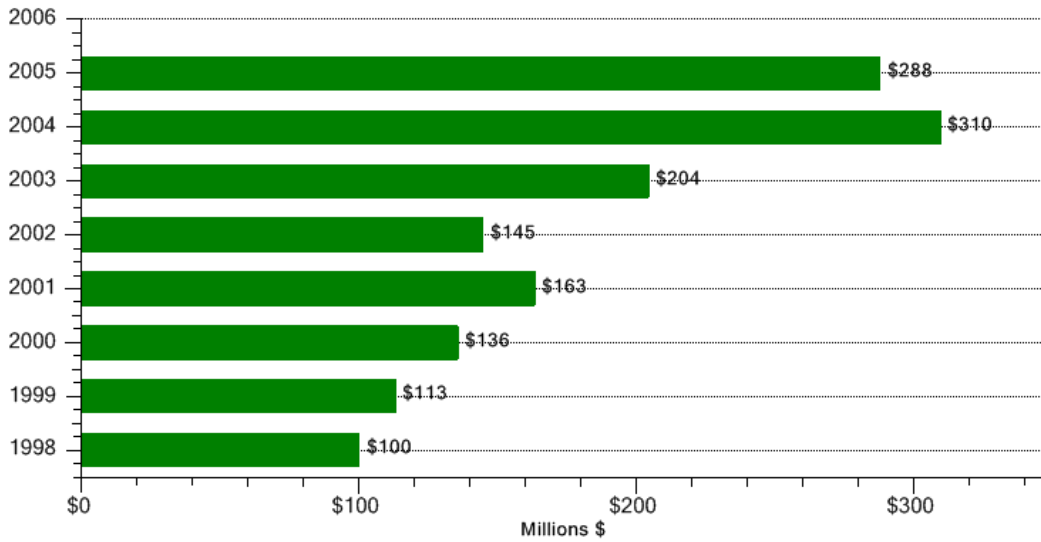
*A bar chart with vertical time/date axis*

**Elapsed Time support for linear and logarithmic coordinate systems**
The **TimeCoordinates** class proved less than optimal for the display of simple elapsed time scales. The software now supports elapsed time scales with the addition of **ElapsedTimeCoordinates**, **ElapsedTimeScale**, **ElapsedTimeAutoScale**, **ElapsedTimeAxis**, **ElapasedTimeLabel**, and **ElapsedTimeAxisLabels** classes. For example, you can now have a scale with a range of 00:00:00 to 12:00:00, without an explicit calendar date associated with it.
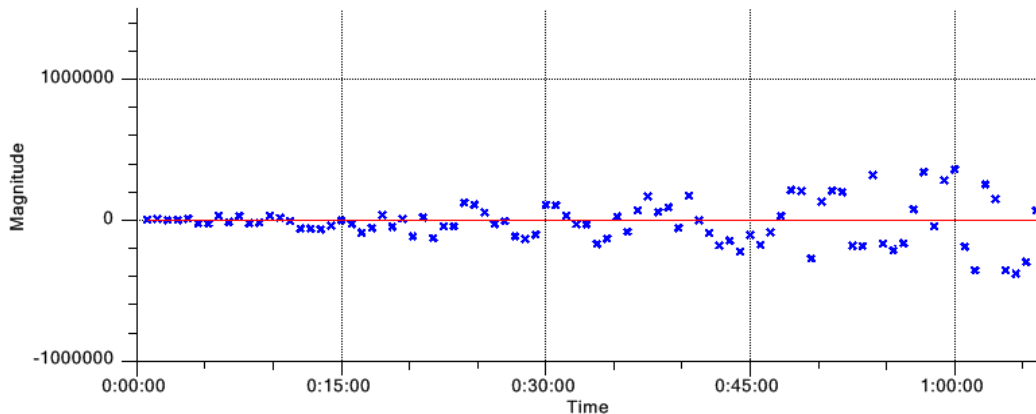


*Elapsed Time support*

# New User Interface Features

**Integrated MultiMouseListener**
The **ChartView** class supports multiple mouse listeners through the integration of our **MultiMouseListener** class.

**The ChartZoom class**

Zoom stack processing has been added to the **ChartZoom** class. You no longer have to subclass the **ChartZoom** class to add zoom stack processing to your application. Also, a new mode forces the aspect ratio of zoomed graphs to remain fixed, traking either the x or y-dimension of the zoom rectangle.

**The MagniView class**

A new **MagniView** class is similar to zooming. The mouse controls a "magnifying" rectangle as it passes over an existing chart. The area of the chart within the bounds of the magnifying rectangle is "magnified" and continuously redrawn in a separate window.
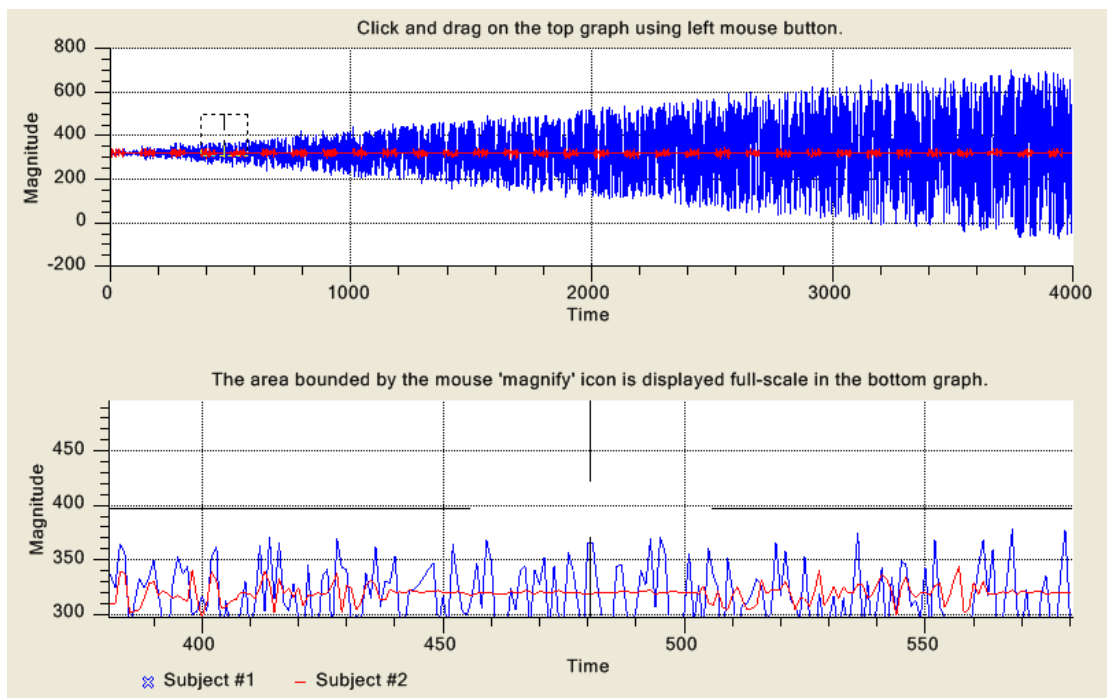


*In use the **MagniView** class is similar to passing a magnifying glass over your data*

Click and drag on the top graph using left mouse button.

The area bounded by the mouse 'magnify' icon is displayed full-scale in the bottom graph.
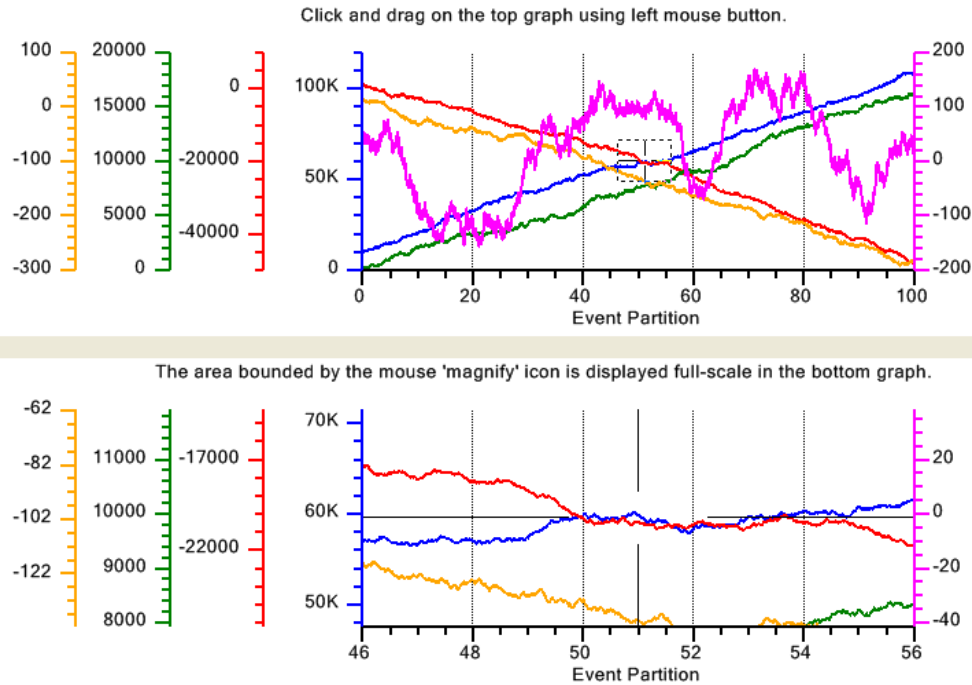
*The **MagniView** class works with an unlimited number of coordinate systems and axes.*

**The MoveCoordinates class**
A new **MoveCoordinates** class is analogous to panning of the graph. Instead of using a scroll bar to set the starting point of the scale in a graph, the mouse now "moves" the coordinate system, without changing the range of the x- and y-scales. The x- and y-axes are continuously redrawn as the mouse is dragged, reinforcing the look and feel of the move operation. This is similar to the way you use a mouse to "move" a map under Map Quest or Google.

Click and drag in the plot area and move in any direction.
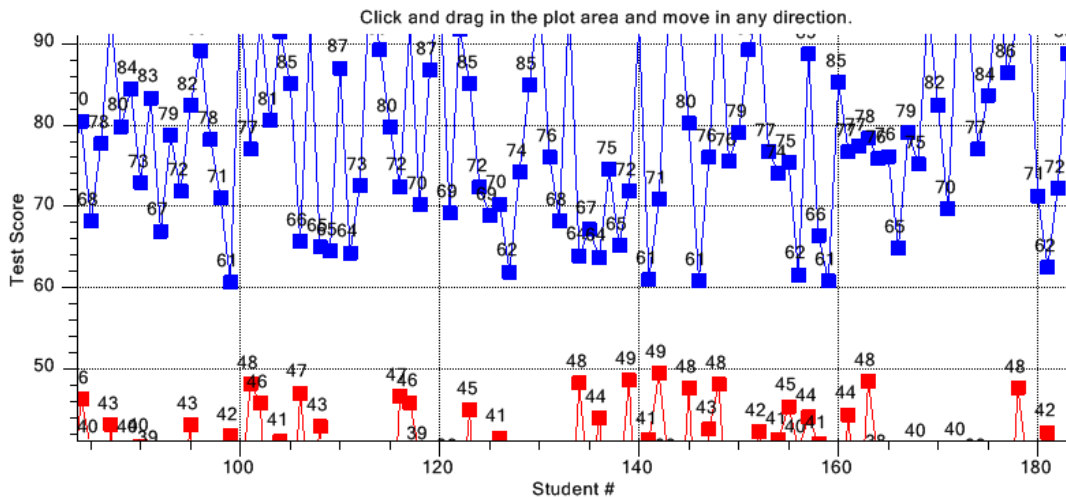
## Additional Chart Objects

**Integrated data grids for viewing chart data.**
The new **DatasetViewer** class displays chart datasets using a simple grid, or table format. Horizontal and vertical scrolling options are supported. Numeric and time/date based formats are also supported. Row and column headers can be customized. Individual grid cells can be edited and the associated chart immediately updated using the synchronize feature.
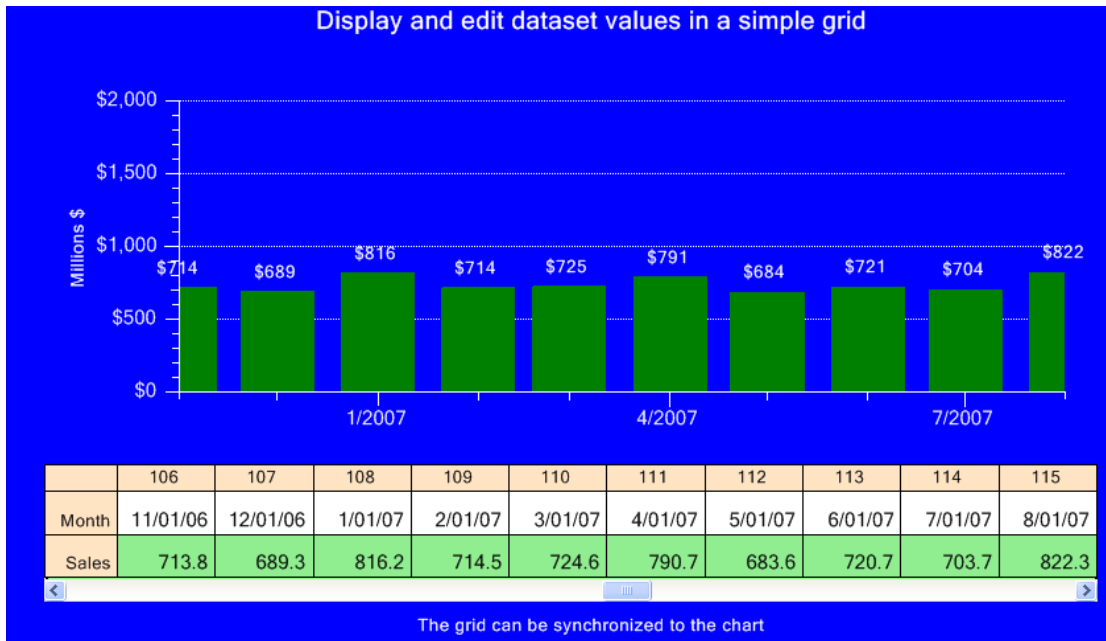


*DatasetViewer displaying the contents of a **TimeSimpleDataset**.*

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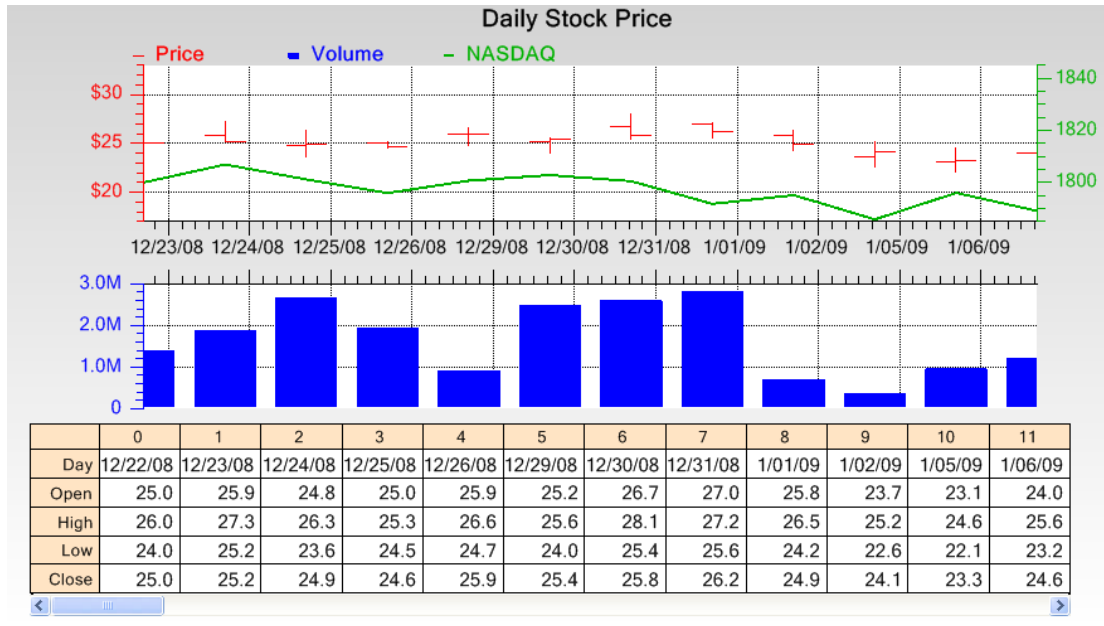
**DatasetViewer** *display the contents of a* **TimeGroupDataset**.

## Visual Studio 2005 Projects

All of the example program projects have been converted to the Visual Studio 2005 project format. The VS 2005 project format is the oldest project format we expect to support in years moving forward. While it may be possible to use the QCChart2D software with VS 2003, or VS 2002, it is not something we support any more. You should assume that as we continue to enhance the software, we will use features not supported under VS 2003/2002. We can still sell you a Revision 1.7 version of the software, with all of the original VS 2003/2002 projects; however it will not include the features described above.

One difference betwee of VS 2005 and VS 2003/2002 is the VS 2005 creation of *partial* classes when using the **Add User Control** wizard. The VS 2005 **Add User Control** wizard now creates two classes, UserControlName.cs and UserControlName.Designer.cs (or UserControlName.vb and UserControlName.Designer.vb), by default. The Designer specific code is now placed in the UserControlName.Designer.vb file. In VS 2003/2002, where a separate UserControlName.Designer.cs file is NOT created, the Designer code was placed in the main UserControlName.cs file, most of which was hidden using the

```
#region Windows Form Designer generated code
```

compiler directive. Many of  example programs still use this older style, with the single UserControlName file. The single file structure is forward compatible with the VS 2005 compiler. All of the example programs demonstrating new features in the software use the

split UserControlName.cs/UserControlName.Designer.cs file structure. This split structure is NOT backward compaticle with VS 2003/2002.

# Differences between this and (1.6) version.

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## Multicolor Gradients for Solid Fill Objects

A **ChartGradient** class has been added to the software. It works in conjunction with the **ChartAttribute** class. Previously, gradients were only used for the graph and plot area backgrounds. Now, any graphical object which uses a fill color can be assigned a gradient. Gradients are not restricted to two colors. An array of colors, and associated breakpoints, can map a color gradient to any solid fill object in a graph. Colors can be mapped to breakpoints using the physical coordinates of a chart, or normalized coordinates (0.0 to 1.0).

## DesignerSerializationVisibility

We have long found the VS IDE habit of including long initialization lists for the **ChartView** properties, when a **ChartView** derived **UserControl** is added to a Form, annoying. We found it was very easy to initialize properties in a **ChartView** subclass, only to have them over-ridden in hidden InitializeComponent code. So we added the:

```
DesignerSerializationVisibility(DesignerSerializationVisibility.Hidden)]
```

compiler flag in front of all **ChartView** properties to force the VS IDE to ignore them.

# Tutorials

Tutorials that describe how to get started with the QCChart2D for *.Net* charting software are found in Chapter 24 (*Using QCChart2D for .Net to Create Windows Applications*) and Chapter 25 (*Using QCChart2D for .Net to Create Web Applications*).

# QCChart2D for *Net* Background

Charting is the display of quantitative information using a combination of lines, points, bars, colors, curves, text and images. Charts are a relatively new invention, first organized, categorized, and extensively used by William Playfair (1759-1823) in the late 18th century. The purpose of charts has remained unchanged since that time. A chart replaces a tabular numeric display of information with a graphical image that visually shortcuts to the underlying pattern in the data.

A chart does not have to be an output only display medium. A chart can be interactive where a user interacts with a chart using the mouse and keyboard: changing colors, changing axes limits, highlighting data values are just a few of the interactive options programmers want in the charts they create.

The goal of the Microsoft .Net framework is to create an integrated platform for the creation, distribution and execution of application programs. The applications can be standalone programs suitable for a single computer and a single user, networked client server applications, or Internet applications involving local and remote servers.  Fast, powerful, and flexible charting graphics is common requirement for application programs in all market segments.

A long term goal of Microsoft .Net is platform independence. This implies that application programs written in C# of VB will run not only on Windows platforms, but UNIX and Linux based machines. Since Microsoft .Net is optimized for Windows, making use of large portions of the Win32 operating system, porting it to UNIX based machines is a lot of work. Microsoft's goal of platform independence may be achieved not by supporting UNIX, but by eliminating the competition until all computers run some form of Windows.

The major competitor to Microsoft .Net is Java, the language invented by Sun Computer. In some respects, Java already is what Microsoft .Net wants to be. You can write application programs using Java that are very platform independent. This is because Java interpreters have been written for most modern operating systems. The disadvantage of Java is that it creates application programs much slower than C/C++, C# and VB. Microsoft was once a Java supporter and a member of the Java language consortium. Microsoft wanted to create their own version of Java optimized for Windows that would not run on other platforms. Sun disapproved of any company creating "flavors" of Java that relied on platform specific features and disbanded the consortium rather than let Microsoft, or any other company, proceed down that path. At that point Microsoft decided to compete directly with Java using the .Net languages. Microsoft is loath to aid the marketing of a competitor and steadfastly refuses to distribute Sun's version of the Java virtual machine with the Windows XP operating system. In order to run Java applications on a Windows platform you need to download the Java virtual machine from Sun and install it on your computer. While this is easy to do, it does not represent the far wider distribution of the Java virtual machine that Sun is looking for, and the company has had Microsoft in court seeking some remedy for many years.

Microsoft .Net includes a very rich API for writing applications that make use of GUI's, data structures, databases, files and streams, networking and web services. The graphics part of the API is a combination of the features found in the Win32 graphics API and those in the Java API. Most of the programming features found in the Java Graphics2D API are duplicated in one form or another in .Net API. While the Java graphics classes are more extensive and in many cases more elegant than those in .Net, Microsoft did a good job of providing a core set of classes that allow most Java applications to be ported to .Net.

Features found in the Microsoft .Net API and used in the **QCChart2D for .*Net*** library include the following:

- Arbitrary line thickness and line styles for all lines.
- Gradients, fill patterns and color transparency for solid objects.
- Generalized geometry support used to create arbitrary shapes
- Printer and image output support
- Improved font support for a large number of fonts, using a variety of font styles, size and rotation attributes.
- Imaging support for a large number of image formats
- Advanced matrix support for handling 2D transformations.

# QCChart2D for .*Net* Dependencies

The **QCChart2D for .*Net*** class library is self-contained. It uses only standard classes that ship with the Microsoft .Net API. The software uses the major .Net namespaces listed below.

## System.Windows.Forms Namespace

The **System.Windows.Forms** namespace contains classes for creating .Net Forms, Controls and Dialog boxes.

## System.Drawing Namespace

The **System.Drawing** namespace provides access to GDI+ basic graphics functionality. More advanced functionality is provided in the System.Drawing.Drawing2D, System.Drawing.Imaging, and System.Drawing.Text namespaces.

## System.Drawing.Drawing2D Namespace

The **System.Drawing.Drawing2D** namespace provide advanced 2-dimmensional and vector graphics functionality. This namespace includes the gradient brushes, the Matrix class (used to define geometric transforms), and the **GraphicsPath** class.

## System.Drawing.Imaging Namespace

The **System.Drawing.Imaging** namespace provides advanced GDI+ imaging functionality. Basic graphics functionality is provided by the [System.Drawing](#) namespace.

## System.Drawing.Color Class

Provides a class to define colors in terms of their individual ARGB (Alpha, Red, Green, Blue) components.

## System.Drawing.Font Class

Defines a particular format for text, including font face, size, and style attributes..

## System.Drawing.Drawing2D.GraphicsPath Class

This class is used to define a series of connected lines and curves.

## System.Drawing.Printing Namespace

This namespace provides classes and interfaces for a general printing API.

## System.Globalization Namespace

The **System.Globalization** namespace contains classes that define culture-related information, including the language, the country/region, the calendars in use, the format patterns for dates, currency, and numbers, and the sort order for strings.

## System.Drawing.Text Namespace

The **System.Drawing.Text** namespace provides advanced GDI+ typography functionality. Basic graphics functionality is provided by the [System.Drawing](#) namespace.

## System.IO Namespace

The IO namespace contains types that allow synchronous and asynchronous reading and writing on data streams and files.

## System.Collections Namespace

The **System.Collections** namespace contains interfaces and classes that define various collections of objects, such as lists, queues, bit arrays, hashtables and dictionaries.

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# Directory Structure of QCChart2D for *.Net*

The QCChart2D for *.Net* class library uses the following directory structure:

Drive:

    Quinn-Curtis\ - Root directory

DotNet\ - Quinn-Curtis .Net based products directory

   Docs\ - Quinn-Curtis .Net related documentation directory

   Lib\ - Quinn-Curtis .Net related compiled libraries and components directory

   QCChart2D\ - Language specific code directory

      Visual CSharp\ - C# specific directory

         QCChart2DClassLib\ - contains the source code to the
                        QCChart2DNet6.dll library (installed only if the
                        source code has been purchased)

         Examples net6\ - C# examples directory – Effective 7/25/05 the
                        examples have been reorganized into categories to
                        make it easier to find the code behind a specific
                        chart.

            AntennaCharts\ - A simple antenna chart.example.

            Bargraphs\ - Horizontal, vertical, stacked, group, histogram,
                        floating

            CalendarData\ - Line plots, bar plots and log plots that use
                        time/date data. Also reading time/date data from a
                        file.

            ChartAxes\ - Linear, logarithmic, time/date, custom hours
                        time/date and polar axes. Also axes labels.

            ChartEventExamples\ - A variety of examples using ChartEvent
                        objects as the source data.

            ConsoleApplication1 – a "headless" console app that renders chart
                        images directly to an image file without displaying
                        the chart on a Windows form.

            ContourPlots\ - Line and filled contour plots.

            CustomDataToolTips\ - Creating custom data tooltips for an
                        OHLC plot, multiple stacked graphs and a pie chart.

            DataCursorsAndMarkers\ - Using data cursors and markers

            DynamicCharts\ - Scrolling lines, bars, scatter plots, data logging,
                        instrument simulation, chart animation.

            EditChartExample\ - Dialog box for chart example

FinancialExamples\ - OHLC plots, candlestick plots, financial log plots, option chart, technical analysis chart.

FormControlExamples\ - Adding check boxes, scrollbars and tables to charts.

ImageCharts\ - Using images as chart data elements, chart backgrounds and annotations.

LabeldDatapoints\ - Label the data points of a simple line chart.

LinePlotSalesVolume\ - Simple line plot example with printing and save image menu.

LogPlots\ -Logarithmic plots for financial charts and engineering charts.

MiscCharts\ - A line gap chart.

MouseListeners\ - Data tooltips, data cursors, moving data points, moving chart objects.

MultiLinePlots\ - Group multi-line plots, stacked line plots, multiple single line graphs.

MultipleAxes\ - Multiple axes graphs

NewDemosRev2 – New examples for Revision 2.0 features.

PieCharts\ - Simple pie charts and pie charts combined with line and bar plots.

PolarCharts\ - Polar line, line file and scatter plots. Also includes an Antenna plot example.

ResizeExamples\ - Fixed size frame, resizeable frame with fixed sized objects, resizeable frame with resizeable objects, scrollable panel as a view into a much larger fixed size frame.

ScatterPlots\ - Simple scatter, line and line-marker plots, scatter plots with variable size and color symbols, cell plots, arrow plots. Also, labeling the data point values or a line marker plot.

SimpleLinePlots\ - Simple line plots with linear and time/date coordinate systems. Also filled and step lines.

UserChartExample1\ - Simple example displays line and scatter plots

ZoomExamples\ - Zooming simple linear axes, super zooming of multiple axes, zooming of time/data based data.

WindowsControlLibrary1 – Create a QCRTGraph ChartView derived window that can be embedded in Windows Internet Explorer

## (\*\*\* Critical Note \*\*\*) Running the Example Programs

The example programs for **QCChart2D** charting software are supplied in complete source. In order to save space, they have not been pre-compiled which means that many of the intermediate object files needed to view the main form are not present. This means that **ChartView** derived control will not be visible on the main Form if you attempt to view the main form before the project has been compiled. The default state for all of the example projects should be the Start Page. Before you do view any other file or form, do a build of the project. This will cause the intermediate files to be built. If you attempt to view the main Form before building the project, Visual Studio decides that the **ChartView** control placed on the main form does not exist and delete it from the project.

There are two versions of the QCChart2D for *.Net* class library: the 30-day trial versions, and the developer version. Each version has different characteristics that are summarized below:

### 30-Day Trial Version

The trial version of QCChart2D for *.Net* is downloaded as a zip file named Trial_QCChart2DR30x.zip. The 30-day trial version stops working 30 days after the initial download. The trial version includes a version message in the upper left corner of the graph window that cannot be removed.

### Developer Version

The developer version of QCChart2D for *.Net* is downloaded as a zip file, name something similar to NETCHTDEV1R3x0x353x1.zip. The developer version does not time out and you can use it to create application programs that you can distribute royalty free. You can download free updates for a period of 2-years. When you placed your order,

you were e-mailed download link(s) that will download the software. Those download links will remain active for at least 2 years and should be used to download current versions of the software. After 2 years you may have to purchase an upgrade to continue to download current versions of the software

## Chapter Summary

The remaining chapters of this book discuss the **QCChart2D for .*Net*** interactive charting package designed to run on any hardware that has .Net or higher interpreter, available for it.

Chapter 2 presents the overall class architecture of the **QCChart2D for .*Net*** and summarizes all of the classes found in the software.

Chapter 3 describes the dataset classes that hold chart data.

Chapter 4 describes the various classes that implement the Cartesian, time and polar coordinate systems supported by the software.

Chapter 5 describes the **ChartView** container class that manages the chart objects**.**

Chapter 6 describes the color, gradient and background classes.

Chapters 7, 8 and 9 describe the classes that create chart axes, axis labels and axis grids.

Chapter 10 describes the classes used to display simple xy data (one y-value for each x-value) as line plots, bar plots, scatter plots., line-marker plots and simple versa plots.

Chapter 11 describes the classes used to display group data (one or more y-values for each x-value) as line plots, group bar plots, stacked bar plots, scatter plots, open-high-low-close plots, candlestick plots, box and whisker plots, floating stacked bar plots,  and group versa plots.

Chapter 12 describes plotting surface data using line and filled contours.

Chapter 13, 14, 15 and 16 describe classes that add interactive elements to a chart. Chapter 13 describes data marker and data cursor classes used to mark and highlight data points using the mouse. Chapter 14 describes classes that can move chart objects, individual data points and the coordinate system. Chapter 15 adds a "zooming" class where mouse events define a new scaling range for a chart, redrawing the chart axes and data automatically.  Chapter 16 describes a generalized data tool-tip class that can display the x and/or y data values for a data point, or custom text associated with the data point.

Chapter 17 describes classes for the display of pie and ring charts.

Chapter 18 describes classes for the display of data in a polar, and antenna, chart format

Chapter 19 describes classes for the display chart legends, used to create visual aids for the interpretation of different elements making up the chart.

Chapter 20 describes generalized classes for displaying formatted text in a chart.

Chapter 21 describes how the DatasetViewer class is used to display simple and group datasets in a table format.

Chapter 22 describes how to use a generalized shape class for the display of arbitrary lines, shapes, images and arrows.

Chapter 23 describes chart printing and the creation of JPEG files.

Chapter 24 is a tutorial that describes how to use QCChart2D to create Windows applications using Visual Studio .Net and Visual C#.

Chapter 26 is a collection of Frequently Asked Questions about **QCChart2D for *.Net***.

# 2. Class Architecture of the QCChart2D for *.Net* Class Library

## Major Design Considerations

This chapter presents an overview of the **QCChart2D for *.Net*** class architecture. It discusses the major design considerations of the architecture:

- It is based on the .Net System.Drawing API model and the System.Windows.Forms classes.

- New charting objects can be added to the library without modifying the source of the base classes.

- There are no limits regarding the number of data points in a plot, the number of plots in graph, the number of axes in a graph, the number of coordinate systems in a graph.

- There are no limits regarding the number of legends, arbitrary text annotations, bitmap images, geometric shapes, titles, data markers, cursors and grids in a graph.

- Users can interact with charts using classes using System.EventHandler delegate event driven model.

The chapter also summarizes the classes in the **QCChart2D for *.Net*** library.

There are five primary features of the overall architecture of the **QCChart2D for *.Net*** classes. These features address major shortcomings in existing charting software for use with both .Net and other computer languages.

- First, **QCChart2D for *.Net*** uses the standard .Net window architecture. Charts are placed in a **ChartView** window that derives from the **System.Windows.Forms.UserControl** class. Position one or more **ChartView** objects in .Net container windows using the standard container layout managers. Mix charts with other components in the same container. Charts use the standard .Net event-processing model for handling mouse and keyboard events.

- Second, the library is extensible. Hundreds of different vertical markets use computer charting. The charts used in each market have a unique look and feel. A well-designed object oriented charting package allows the programmer to extend the software without modifying the source of the underlying classes. Instead, the programmer extends the software by deriving a new class from an existing base class. The new,

derived class localizes custom source code and the source of the underlying classes remains unchanged. In the **QCChart2D for .***Net* classes a user can subclass an existing class and create new, custom charting objects. Examples of custom charting objects are specialized plots that extend the **SimplePlot**, or **GroupPlot** classes to include new plot types for applications such as stock market technical analysis, statistical process control, and medical instrumentation, to name a few.

- Third, the library has no limits regarding the number of data points in a plot, the number of plots in graph, the number of axes in a graph, and the number of coordinate systems in a graph. A major weakness in many commercial graphics packages is that they have hard coded limits that restrict the number of data points, axes, or coordinate systems. A simple business bar chart may only contain 3 or 4 data points, depicting a sales forecast. An audio mixer application may require 32 million plotted points, represented by 32 traces of 1 million points each, each trace representing 20 seconds of audio sampled at 50 kHz.

  The most effective way to compare data is to overlay it in the same graph. Often the data series have different dynamic ranges. If the data series are plotting using the same scale, it is difficult do see the correlation, or lack of, in the data. A better solution is to create a unique scale for each data series, with associated axes, and plot each data series with respect to its own scale. All of the plots will overlay the same area of the graph. Many advanced charting packages do not support more than one coordinate system per graph, while most others have some fixed limit such as 2, 4 or 8 scales per graph. The number of coordinate systems for a graph can be as large as the number of data series plotted in the graph. Charts can have hundreds of data series at once; therefore, a flexible charting package needs to allow for an equal number of simultaneous coordinate systems.

- Fourth, a well-constructed chart often displays more than just data. Other common chart objects include legends, arbitrary text annotations, bitmap images, geometric shapes, titles, data markers, cursors and grids. A chart can contain zero or more of these objects. It may contain 100 of one type, 5 of another type, and 1 of a third. **QCChart2D for .***Net* contains no limits restricting the number of instances of a given chart object in a graph, and no limit on the total number of chart objects in a graph.

- Fifth, an end user needs to interact with the graph using the mouse and/or keyboard. The **QCChart2D for .***Net* architecture includes classes that implement the .Net **System.EventHandler** delegate event driven model. A user can use the mouse to select data points, text annotations, axes, image objects, and other shapes, and position them in the graph. Create data markers and move them around the chart under mouse or program control. Automatically rescale one or more chart axes using mouse controlled zooming.

# QCChart2D for *.Net* Class Summary

The following categories of classes realize these design considerations.

**Chart view class**

The chart view class is a **UserControl** subclass that manages the graph objects placed in the graph

**Data classes**

There are data classes for simple xy and group data types. There are also data classes that handle **System.DateTime** date/time data and contour data.

**Scale transform classes**

The scale transform classes handle the conversion of physical coordinate values to working coordinate values for a single dimension.

**Coordinate transform classes**

The coordinate transform classes handle the conversion of physical coordinate values to working coordinate values for a parametric (2D) coordinate system.

**Attribute class**

The attribute class encapsulates the most common attributes (line color, fill color, line style, line thickness, etc.) for a chart object.

**Auto-Scale classes**

The coordinate transform classes use the auto-scale classes to establish the minimum and maximum values used to scale a 2D coordinate system. The axis classes also use the auto-scale classes to establish proper tick mark spacing values.

**Charting object classes**

The chart object classes includes all objects placeable in a chart. That includes axes, axes labels, plot objects (line plots, bar graphs, scatter plots, etc.), grids, titles, backgrounds, images and arbitrary shapes.

**Mouse interaction classes**

These classes, directly and indirectly **System.EventHandler** delegates that trap mouse events and permit the user to create and move data cursors, move plot objects, display tooltips and select data points in all types of graphs.

**File and printer rendering**

These classes render the chart image to a printer, to a variety of file formats including JPEG, and BMP, or to a .Net **Image** object.

**Miscellaneous utility classes**

Other classes use these for data storage, file I/O, and data processing.

A summary of each category appears in the following section.

# Chart Window Classes

**System.Windows.Forms.UserControl**
    **ChartView**

The starting point of a chart is the **ChartView** class. The **ChartView** class derives from the .Net **System.Windows.Forms.UserControl** class**,** where the **UserControl** class is the base class for the .Net collection of standard components such as menus, buttons, check boxes, etc. The **ChartView** class manages a collection of chart objects in a chart and automatically updates the chart objects when the underlying window processes a paint event. Since the **ChartView** class is a subclass of the **UserControl** class, it acts as a container for other .Net components too.

# Data Classes

**ChartDataset**
    **SimpleDataset**
        **TimeSimpleDataset**
        **ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset**
        **ContourDataset**
        **EventSimpleDataset**
    **GroupDataset**
        **TimeGroupDataset**
        **ElapsedTimeGroupDataset**
        **EventGroupDataset**

The dataset classes organize the numeric data associated with a plotting object. There are two major types of data supported by the **ChartDataset** class. The first is simple xy data, where for every x-value there is one y-value. The second data type is group data, where every x-value can have one or more y-values.

**ChartDataset**        The abstract base class for the other dataset classes. It contains data common to all of the dataset classes, such as the x-value array, the number of x-values, the dataset name and the dataset type.

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| **SimpleDataset** | Represents simple xy data, where for every x-value there is one y-value. |
| **TimeSimpleDataset** | A subclass of **SimpleDataset**, it is initialized using **ChartCalendar** dates (a wrapper around the System.DateTime value class) in place of the x- or y-values. |
| **ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset** | A subclass of **SimpleDataset**, it is initialized with **TimeSpan** objects, or milliseconds, in place of the x- or y-values. |
| **EventSimpleDataset** | A subclass of **SimpleDataset**, it is initialized with **ChartEvent** objects, where the data is to be plotted using one of the simple plot types. |
| **ContourDataset** | A subclass of **SimpleDataset**, it adds a third dimension (z-values) to the x- and y- values of the simple dataset. |
| **GroupDataset** | Represents group data, where every x-value can have one or more y-values. |
| **TimeGroupDataset** | A subclass of **GroupDataset**, it uses **ChartCalendar** dates (a wrapper around the System.DateTime value class) as the x-values, and floating point numbers as the y-values. |
| **ElapsedTimeGroupDataset** | A subclass of **GroupDataset**, it uses **TimeSpan** objects, or milliseconds, as the x-values, and floating point numbers as the y-values. |
| **EventGroupDataset** | A subclass of **GroupDataset**, it uses **ChartEvent** objects, where the data is to be plotted using one of the group plot types. |

# Scale Classes

**ChartScale**
> **LinearScale**
> **LogScale**
> **TimeScale**
> **ElapsedTimeScale**
> **EventScale**

The **ChartScale** abstract base class defines coordinate transformation functions for a single dimension. It is useful to be able to mix and match different scale transform functions for x- and y-dimensions of the **PhysicalCoordinates** class. The job of a **ChartScale** derived object is to convert a dimension from the current *physical* coordinate system into the current *working* coordinate system.

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| **LinearScale** | A concrete implementation of the **ChartScale** class. It converts a linear physical coordinate system into the working coordinate system. |
| **LogScale** | A concrete implementation of the **ChartScale** class. It converts a logarithmic physical coordinate system into the working coordinate system. |
| **TimeScale** | A concrete implementation of the **ChartScale** class. converts a date/time physical coordinate system into the working coordinate system. |
| **ElapsedTimeScale** | A concrete implementation of the **ChartScale** class. converts an elapsed time coordinate system into the working coordinate system. |
| **EventScale** | A concrete implementation of the **ChartScale** class. converts an event coordinate system into the working coordinate system. |

# Coordinate Transform Classes

**UserCoordinates**
    **WorldCoordinates**
        **WorkingCoordinates**
            **PhysicalCoordinates**
                **CartesianCoordinates**
                    **ElapsedTimeCoordinates**
                    **PolarCoordinates**
                    **AntennaCoordinates**
                    **EventCoordinates**
                **TimeCoordinates**

The coordinate transform classes maintain a 2D coordinate system. Many different coordinate systems are used to position and draw objects in a graph. Examples of some of the coordinate systems include the device coordinates of the current window, normalized

coordinates for the current window and plotting area, and scaled physical coordinates of the plotting area.

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| **UserCoordinates** | This class manages the interface to the **System.Drawing** classes and contains routines for drawing lines, rectangles and text using .Net device coordinates. |
| **WorldCoordinates** | This class derives from the **UserCoordinates** class and maps a device independent world coordinate system on top of the .Net device coordinate system. |
| **WorkingCoordinates** | This class derives from the **WorldCoordinates** class and extends the physical coordinate system of the *plot area* (the area typically bounded by the charts axes) to include the complete *graph area* (the area of the chart outside of the *plot area*). |
| **PhysicalCoordinates** | This class is an abstract base class derived from **WorkingCoordinates** and defines the routines needed to map the physical coordinate system of a plot area into a working coordinate system. Different scale objects (**ChartScale** derived) are installed for converting physical x- and y-coordinate values into working coordinate values. |
| **CartesianCoordinates** | This class is a concrete implementation of the **PhysicalCoordinates** class and implements a coordinate system used to plot linear, logarithmic and semi-logarithmic graphs. |
| **TimeCoordinates** | This class is a concrete implementation of the **PhysicalCoordinates** class and implements a coordinate system used to plot **GregorianCalenar** time-based data. |
| **ElapsedTimeCoordinates** | This class is a subclass of the **CartesianCoordinates** class and implements a coordinate system used to plot elapsed time data. |
| **PolarCoordinates** | This class is a subclass of the **CartesianCoordinates** class and implements a coordinate system used to plot polar coordinate data. |
| **AntennaCoordinates** | This class is a subclass of the **CartesianCoordinates** class and implements a coordinate system used to plot antenna coordinate data. The antenna coordinate system differs from the more common polar coordinate system in that the radius can have plus/minus values, the angular values are in |

degrees, and the angular values increase in the clockwise direction.

EventCoordinates    This class is a subclass of the **CartesianCoordinates** class and implements a coordinate system used to plot ChartEvent based data.

## Attribute Class
**ChartAttribute**
**ChartGradient**

This class consolidates the common line and fill attributes as a single class. Most of the graph objects have a property of this class that controls the color, line thickness and fill attributes of the object. The **ChartGradient** class expands the number of color options available in the **ChartAttribute** class.

ChartAttribute    This class consolidates the common line and fill attributes associated with a **GraphObj** object into a single class.

ChartGradient    A **ChartGradient** can be added to a **ChartAttribute** object, defining a multicolor gradient that is applied wherever the color fill attribute is normally used

## Auto-Scaling Classes

**AutoScale**
>    **LinearAutoScale**
>    **LogAutoScale**
>    **TimeAutoScale**
>    **ElapsedTimeAutoScale**
>    **EventAutoScale**

Usually, programmers do not know in advance the scale for a chart. Normally the program needs to analyze the current data for minimum and maximum values and create a chart scale based on those values. Auto-scaling, and the creation of appropriate axes, with endpoints at even values, and well-rounded major and minor tick mark spacing, is quite complicated. The **AutoScale** classes provide tools that make automatic generation of charts easier.

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| **AutoScale** | This class is the abstract base class for the auto-scale classes. |
| **LinearAutoScale** | This class is a concrete implementation of the **AutoScale** class. It calculates scaling values based on the numeric values in **SimpleDataset** and **GroupDataset** objects. Linear scales and axes use it for auto-scale calculations. |
| **LogAutoScale** | This class is a concrete implementation of the **AutoScale** class. It calculates scaling values based on the numeric values in **SimpleDataset** and **GroupDataset** objects. Logarithmic scales and axes use it for auto-scale calculations. |
| **TimeAutoScale** | This class is a concrete implementation of the **AutoScale** class. It calculates scaling values based on the **ChartCalendar** values in **TimeSimpleDataset** and **TimeGroupDataset** objects. Date/time scales and axes use it for auto-scale calculations. |
| **ElapsedTimeAutoScale** | This class is a concrete implementation of the **AutoScale** class. It calculates scaling values based on the numeric values in **ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset** and **ElapsedTimeGroupDataset** objects. The elapsed time classes use it for auto-scale calculations. |
| **EventAutoScale** | This class is a concrete implementation of the **AutoScale**class. It calculates scaling values based on the numeric values in **EventSimpleDataset**and **EventGroupDataset**objects. The evnet classes use it for auto-scale calculations. |

# Chart Object Classes

Chart objects are graph objects that can be rendered in the current graph window. This is in comparison to other classes that are purely calculation classes, such as the coordinate conversion classes. All chart objects have certain information in common. This includes instances of **ChartAttribute** and **PhysicalCoordinates** classes. The **ChartAttribute** class contains basic color, line style, and gradient information for the object, while the **PhysicalCoordinates** maintains the coordinate system used by object. The majority of classes in the library derive from the **GraphObj** class, each class a specific charting object such as an axis, an axis label, a simple plot or a group plot. Add **GraphObj**

derived objects (axes, plots, labels, title, etc.) to a graph using the
**ChartView.AddChartObject** method.

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| **GraphObj** | This class is the abstract base class for all drawable graph objects. It contains information common to all chart objects. This class includes references to instances of the **ChartAttribute** and **PhysicalCoordinates** classes. The **ChartAttribute** class contains basic color, line style, and gradient information for the object, while the **PhysicalCoordinates** maintains the coordinate system used by object. The majority of classes in the library derive from the **GraphObj** class, each class a specific charting object such as an axis, an axis label, a simple plot or a group plot |
| **Background** | This class fills the background of the entire chart, or the plot area of the chart, using a solid color, a color gradient, or a texture. |

## Axis Classes

**Axis**
      **LinearAxis**
            **PolarAxes**
            **AntennaAxes**
            **ElapsedTimeAxis**
      **LogAxis**
      **TimeAxis**
      **EventAxis**

Creating a **PhysicalCoordinates** coordinate system does not automatically create a pair of x- and y-axes. Axes are separate charting objects drawn with respect to a specific **PhysicalCoordinates** object. The coordinate system and the axes do not need to have the same limits. In general, the limits of the coordinate system should be greater than or equal to the limits of the axes. The coordinate system may have limits of 0 to 15, while you may want the axes to extend from 0 to 10.

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Click on one of the buttons below to change the x-axis range.

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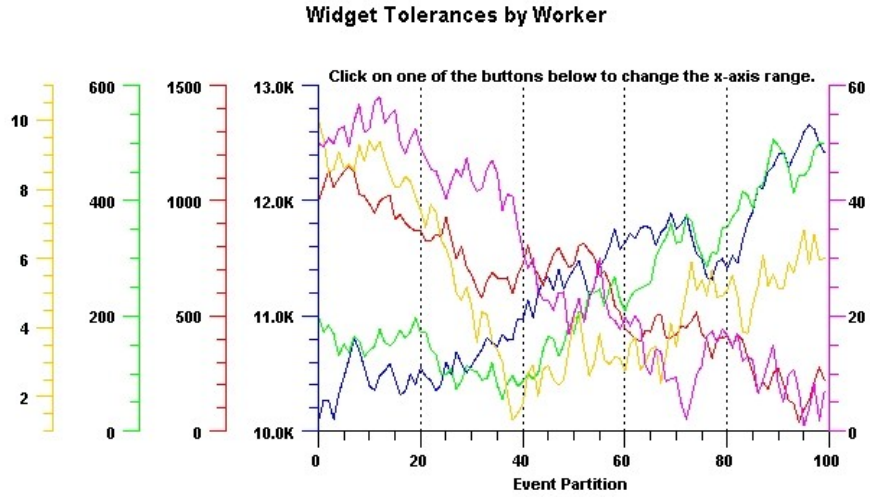
Graphs can have an UNLIMITED number of x- and y-axes.

**Axis**

This class is the abstract base class for the other axis classes. It contains data and drawing routines common to all axis classes.
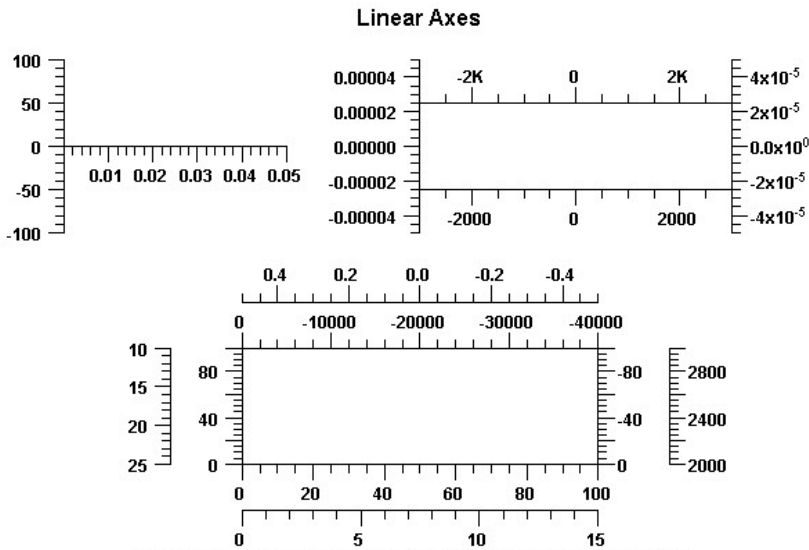
**Linear Axes**

The positioning of axes is very flexible. Axes can have an inverted scale.

**LinearAxis**　　　　　　This class implements a linear axis with major and minor tick marks placed at equally spaced intervals.



Logarithmic axes can be combined with linear, logarithmic and time axes.
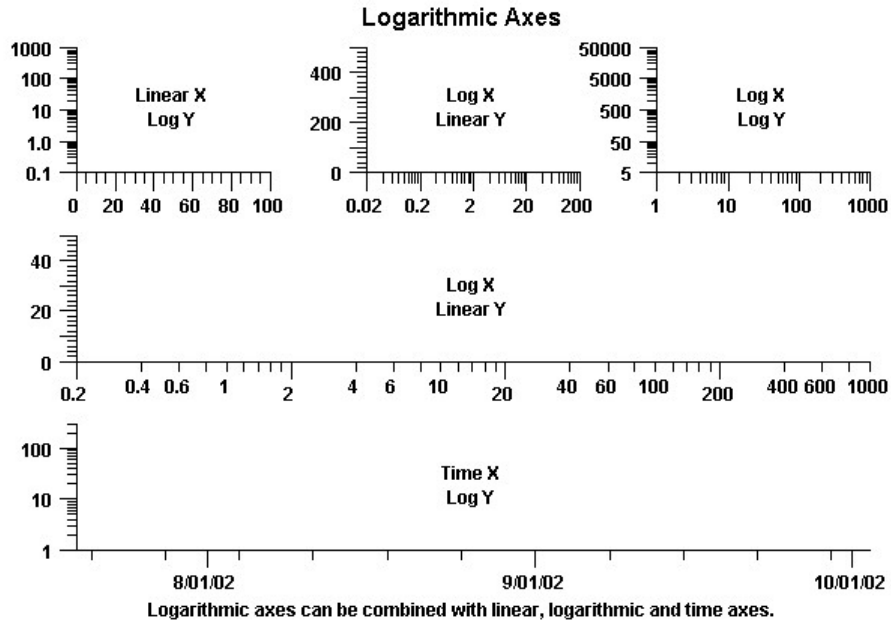
**LogAxis**　　　　　　This class implements a logarithmic axis with major tick marks placed on logarithmic intervals, for example 1, 10,100 or 30, 300, 3000. The minor tick marks are placed within the major tick marks using linear intervals, for example 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 20, 30, 40, 50,.., 90. An important feature of the **LogAxis** class is that the major and minor tick marks do not have to fall on decade boundaries. A logarithmic axis must have a positive range exclusive of 0.0, and the tick marks can represent any logarithmic scale.

**Date Axes**

There are more than 40 different time/date axes types, appropriate for scales ranging from 1 second to 100 years.



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**Date Axes**
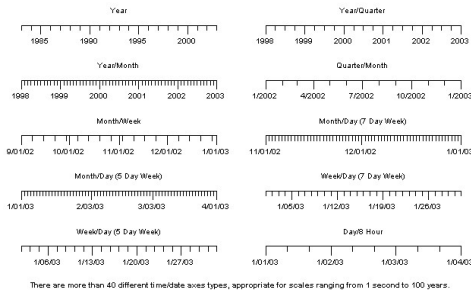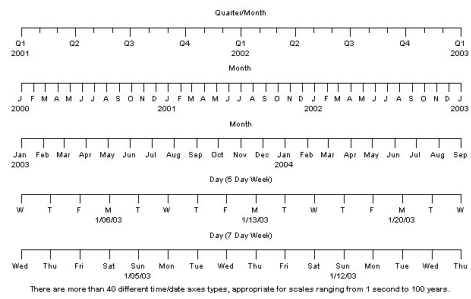
There are more than 40 different time/date axes types, appropriate for scales ranging from 1 second to 100 years.
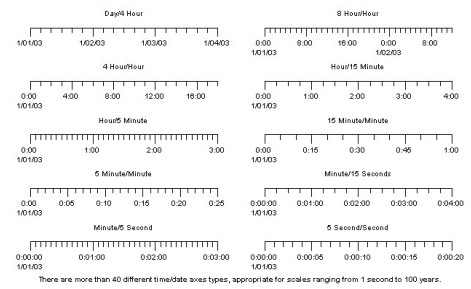


**Time/Date Axes with Custom Hour Range (8:30 AM to 4:00 PM)**

A time axis can be customized for non-24 hour range.
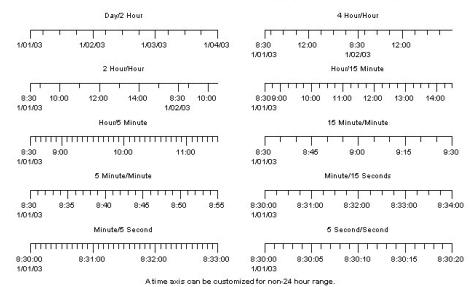
**TimeAxis**

This class is the most complex of the axis classes. It supports time scales ranging from 1 milliseond to hundreds of years. Dates and times are specified using the .Net **ChartCalendar** class. The major and minor tick marks can fall on any time base, where a time base represents seconds, minutes, hours, days, weeks, months or years. The scale can exclude weekends, for example, Friday, October 20, 2000 is immediately followed by Monday, October 23, 2000. A day can also have a custom range, for example a range of 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM. The chart time axis excludes time outside of this range. This makes the class very useful for the inter-day display of financial market information (stock, bonds, commodities, options, etc.) across several days, months or years.
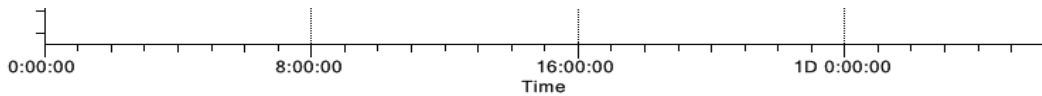


**ElapsedTimeAxis**

The elapsed time axis is very similar to the linear axis and is subclassed from that class. The main difference is the major and minor tick mark spacing calculated by the CalcAutoAxis method takes into account the base 60 of seconds per minute and minutes per hour, and the base 24 of hours per day. It is a continuous linear scale.
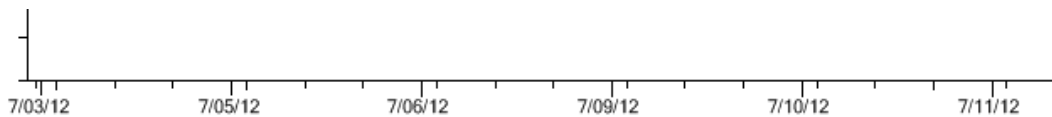


**EventAxis**

The event axis is a hybrid of the a time axis and the linear axis. It places major and minor tick marks on the axis, based on the event data attached to the coordinate system. Every ChartEvent object in the coordinate system does not necessarily have a tick mark, because where the data values are bunched together, this would create too many tick marks and they would overlap. Every tick mark, though, will have at least one ChartEvent object associated with it. In the case where multiple plots have ChartEvent objects

with the same time stamp, a tick mark can have multiple
ChartEvent objects associated with it.
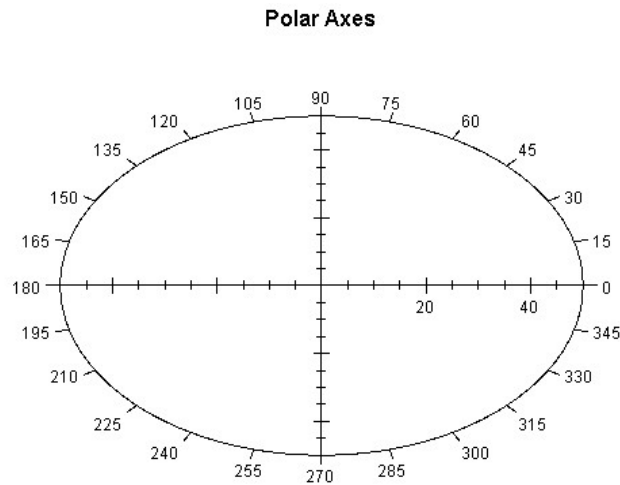
**Polar Axes**



A polar axis consists of the x and y axis for magnitude, and the outer circle for the angle.

**PolarAxes**

This class has three separate axes: two linear and one
circular. The two linear axes, scaled for +- the magnitude of
the polar scale, form a cross with the center of both axes at
the origin (0, 0. The third axis is a circle centered on the
origin with a radius equal to the magnitude of the polar
scale. This circular axis represents 360 degrees (or 2 Pi
radians) of the polar scale and the tick marks that circle this
axis are spaced at equal degree intervals.
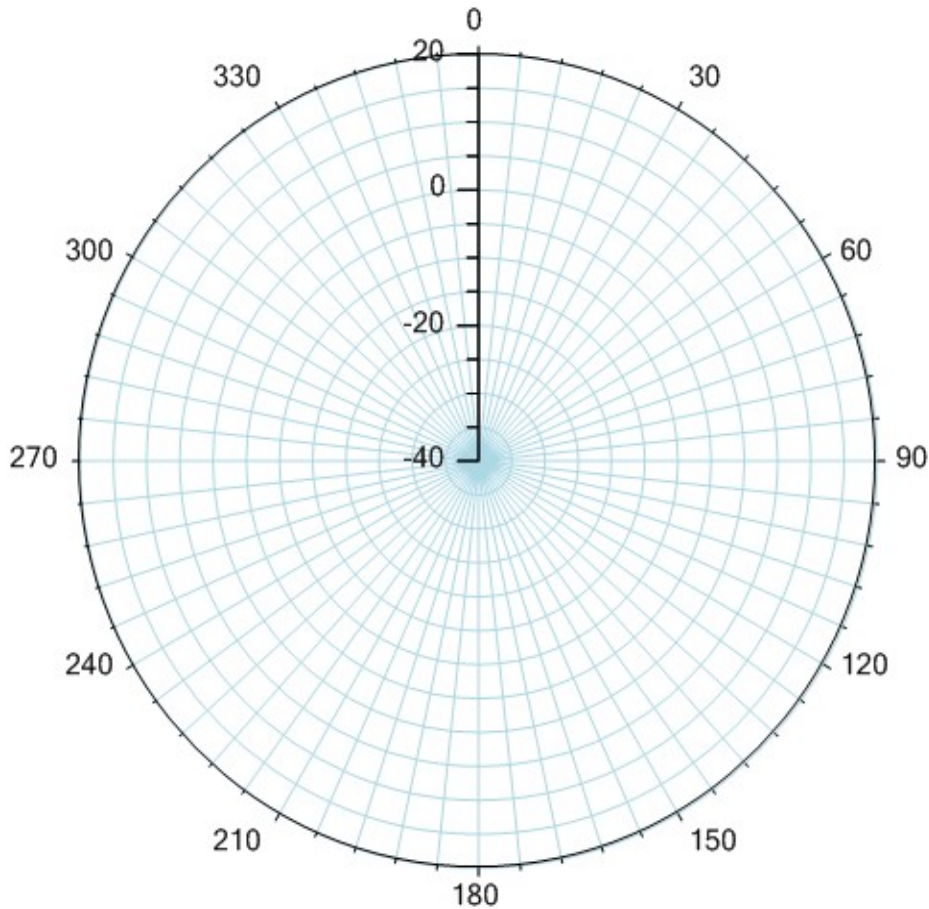
| **AntennaAxes** | This class has two axes: one linear y-axis and one circular axis. The linear axis is scaled for the desired range of radius values. This can extend from minus values to plus values. The second axis is a circle centered on the origin with a radius equal to the range of the radius scale. This circular axis represents 360 degrees of the antenna scale and the tick marks that circle this axis are spaced at equal degree intervals. |
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# Axis Label Classes

**AxisLabels**
    **NumericAxisLabels**
    **StringAxisLabels**
    **PolarAxesLabels**
    **AntennaAxesLabels**
    **TimeAxisLabels**

**ElapsedTimeAxisLabels**
**EventAxisLabels**

Axis labels inform the user of the x- and y-scales used in the chart. The labels center on the major tick marks of the associated axis. Axis labels are usually numbers, times, dates, or arbitrary strings.

## Axis Labels

| Possible date labels for todays date | Possible time labels for the current time | | Possible numeric labels for the value 12340 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| July 19, 2002 | 15:15:11 | (24 Hour Mode) | 12340.0 | (Decimal) |
| 2002 | 15:15 | (24 Hour Mode) | 1.2340E4 | (Scientific) |
| 7/2002 | 15:11 | Minute:Second | 12.340K | (Business) |
| 7/19/2002 | 3:15:11 | (12 Hour Mode) | 1234000% | (Percent) |
| 19/07/2002 | 3:15 | (12 Hour Mode) | $1.2340x10^4$ | (Exponent) |
| 02 | | | $12340 | (Currency) |
| 7/02 | | | | |
| 7/19/02 | | | | |
| 19/07/02 | | | | |
| July | | | | |
| Jul | | | | |
| J | | | | |
| Friday | | | | |
| Fri | | | | |
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Multi-line and rotated (0-360 degrees) axis labels are supported

Western Sales Region    Eastern Sales Region    Southern Sales Region    Northern Sales Region

**In addition to the predefined formats, programmers can define custom time, date and numeric formats.**

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| **AxisLabels** | This class is the abstract base class for all axis label objects. It places numeric labels, date/time labels, or arbitrary text labels, at the major tick marks of the associated axis object. In addition to the standard font options (type, size, style, color, etc.), axis label text can be rotated 360 degrees in one degree increments. |
| **NumericAxisLabels** | This class labels the major tick marks of the **LinearAxis**, and **LogAxis** classes. The class supports many predefined and user-definable formats, including numeric, exponent, percentage, business and currency formats. |
| **StringAxisLabels** | This class labels the major tick marks of the **LinearAxis**, and **LogAxis** classes using user-defined strings. |

**TimeAxisLabels**          This class labels the major tick marks of the associated **TimeAxis** object. The class supports many time (23:59:59) and date (5/17/2001) formats. It is also possible to define custom date/time formats.

**ElapsedTimeAxisLabels**   This class labels the major tick marks of the associated **ElapsedTimeAxis** object. The class supports HH:MM:SS and MM:SS formats, with decimal seconds out to 0.00001, i.e. "12:22:43.01234". It also supports a cumulative hour format (101:51:22), and a couple of day formats (4.5:51:22, 4D 5:51:22).

**PolarAxesLabels**         This class labels the major tick marks of the associated **PolarAxes** object. The x-axis is labeled from 0.0 to the polar scale magnitude, and the circular axis is labeled counter clockwise from 0 to 360 degrees, starting at 3:00.

**AntennaAxesLabels**       This class labels the major tick marks of the associated **AntennaAxes** object. The y-axis is labeled from the radius minimum to the radius maximum. The circular axis is labeled clockwise from 0 to 360 degrees, starting at 12:00.

**EventAxisLabels**         This class labels the major tick marks of the associated **EventAxis** object. The class supports many time (23:59:59) and date (5/17/2001) formats. It is also possible to define custom date/time formats.

# Chart Plot Classes

**ChartPlot**
    **ContourPlot**
    **GroupPlot**
    **PieChart**
    **PolarPlot**
    **AntennaPlot**
    **SimplePlot**

Plot objects are objects that display data organized in a **ChartDataset** class. There are six main categories: simple, group, polar, antenna, contour and pie plots. Simple plots graph data organized as a simple set of xy data points. The most common examples of simple plots are line plots, bar graphs, scatter plots and line-marker plots. Group plots graph data organized as multiple y-values for each x-value. The most common examples of group plots are stacked bar graphs, open-high-low-close plots, candlestick plots, floating

stacked bar plots and "box and whisker" plots. Polar charts plot data organized as a simple set of data points, where each data point represents a polar magnitude and angle pair, rather than xy Cartesian coordinate values. The most common example of polar charts is the display of complex numbers ($a + bi$), and it is used in many engineering disciplines. Antenna charts plot data organized as a simple set of data points, where each data point represents a radius value and angle pair, rather than xy Cartesian coordinate values. The most common example of antenna charts is the display of antenna performance and specification graphs. The contour plot type displays the iso-lines, or contours, of a 3D surface using either lines or regions of solid color. The last plot object category is the pie chart, were a pie wedge represents each data value. The size of the pie wedge is proportional to the fraction (data value / sum of all data values).

**ChartPlot**                    This class is the abstract base class for chart plot objects. It contains a reference to a **ChartDataset** derived class containing the data associated with the plot.
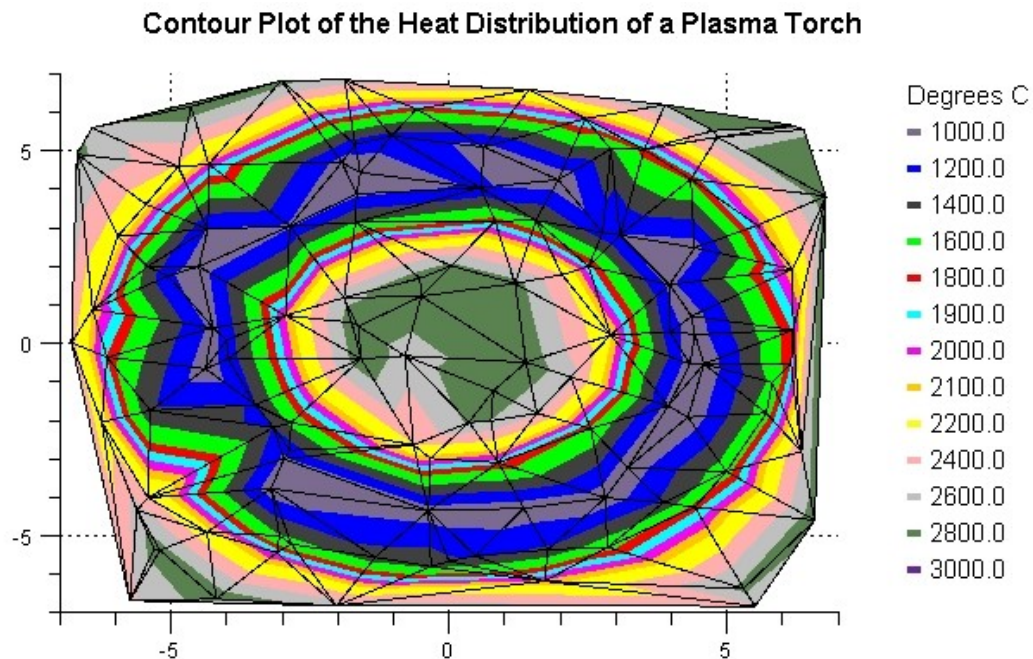


The contour plot routines work with either an even grid, or a random (shown) grid.

**ContourPlot**                  This class is a concrete implementation of the **ChartPlot** class and displays a contour plot using either lines, or regions filled with color.

## Group Plot Classes

**GroupPlot**
> **ArrowPlot**
> **BoxWhiskerPlot**
> **BubblePlot**
> **CandlestickPlot**
> **CellPlot**
> **ErrorBarPlot**
> **FloatingBarPlot**
> **FloatingStackedBarPlot**
> **GroupBarPlot**
> **GroupVersaPlot**
> **HistogramPlot**
> **LineGapPlot**
> **MultiLinePlot**
> **OHLCPlot**
> **StackedBarPlot**
> **StackedLinePlot**
> **GroupVeraPlot**

Group plots use data organized as arrays of x- and y-values, where there is one or more y for every x.. Group plot types include multi-line plots, stacked line plots, stacked bar plots, group bar plots, error bar plots, floating bar plots, floating stacked bar plots, open-high-low-close plots, candlestick plots, arrow plots, histogram plots, cell plots, "box and whisker" plots, and bubble plots.

**GroupPlot**                          This class is an abstract base class for all group plot classes.

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The size, position and direction of every arrow in an arrow plot is under program control.
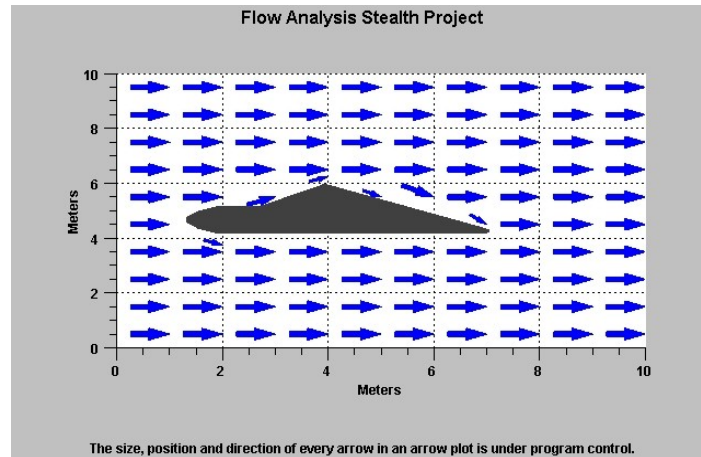
**ArrowPlot**

This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and it displays a collection of arrows as defined by the data in a group dataset. The position, size, and rotation of each arrow in the collection is independently controlled



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The size (radius or area) of the bubble adds an additional dimension to the graph.
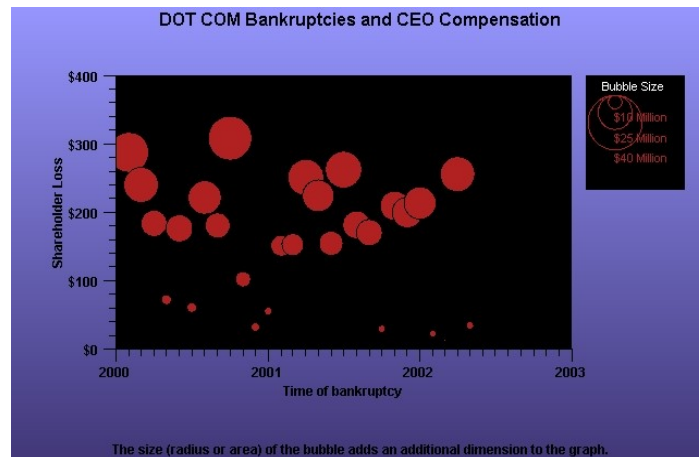
**BubblePlot**

This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays bubble plots. The values in the dataset specify the position and size of each bubble in a bubble chart.
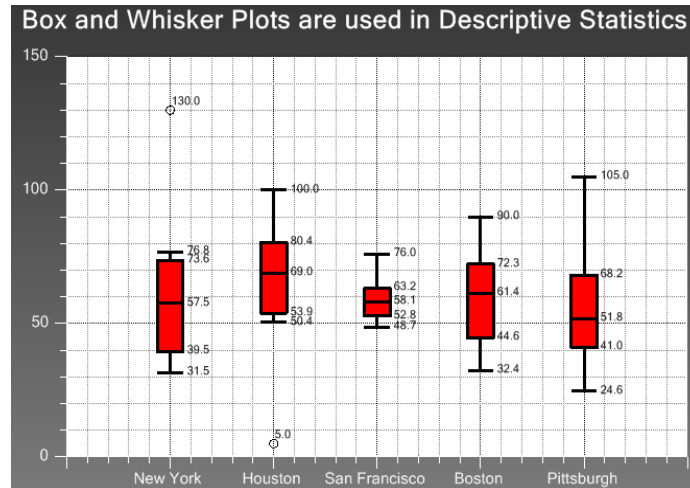
**BoxWhiskerPlot**

This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays box and whisker plots.  The BoxWhiskerPlot class graphically depicts groups of numerical data through their five-number summaries (the smallest observation, lower quartile (Q1), median (Q2), upper quartile (Q3), and largest observation).
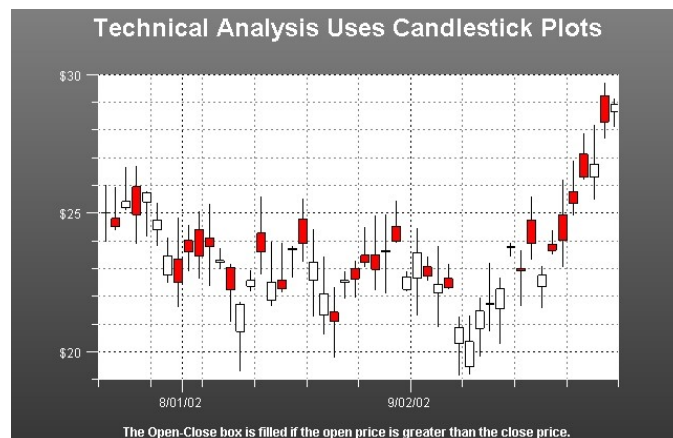


**CandlestickPlot**

This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays stock market data in an open-high-low-close format common in financial technical analysis.

Cell Plot of Population Density

The Cell plot will plot rectangles of any size, color and postion.
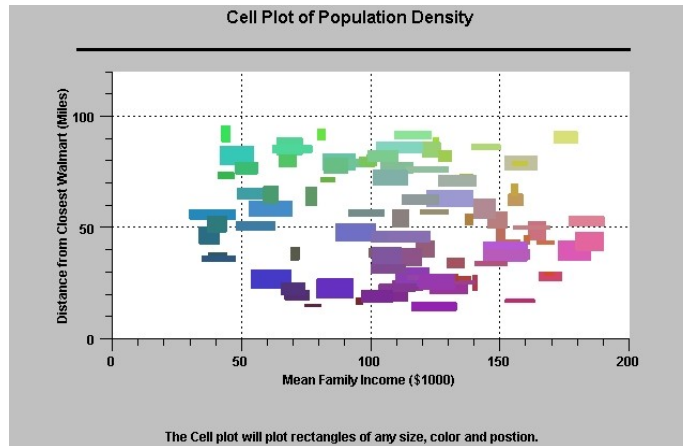
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| **CellPlot** | This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays cell plots. A cell plot is a collection of rectangular objects with independent positions, widths and heights, specified using the values of the associated group dataset. |
| **ErrorBarPlot** | This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays error bars. Error bars are two lines positioned about a data point that signify the statistical error associated with the data point |



Media Schedule

Floating bars are useful for creating scheduling charts.

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| **FloatingBarPlot** | This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays free-floating bars in a graph. The bars are free floating because each bar does not reference a fixed base value, as do simple bar plots, stacked bar plots and group bar plots. |
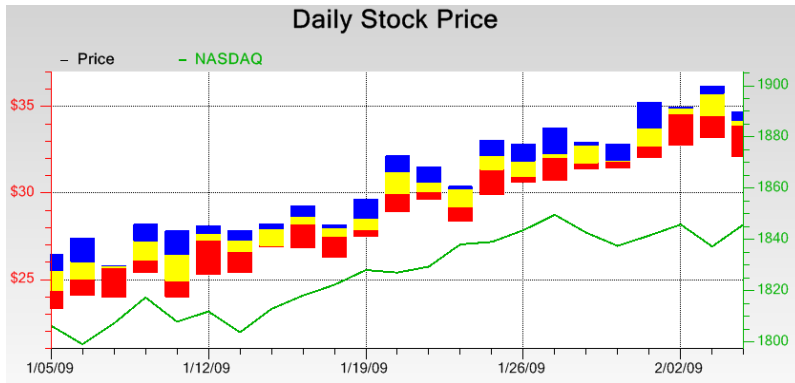
**FloatingStackedBarPlot**  This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays free-floating stacked bars. The bars are free floating because each bar does not reference a fixed base value, as do simple bar plots, stacked bar plots and group bar plots.
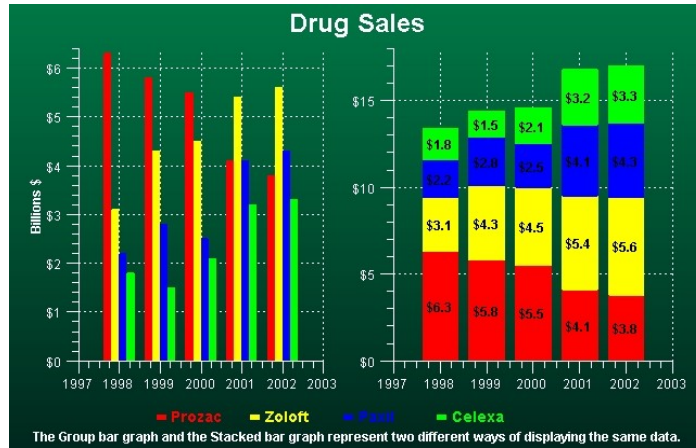


**GroupBarPlot**  This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays group data in a group bar format. Individual bars, the height of which corresponds to the group y-values of the dataset, display side by side, as a group, justified with respect to the x-position value for each group. The group bars share a common base value.

**StackedBarPlot**    This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays data as stacked bars. In a stacked bar plot each group is stacked on top of one another, each group bar a cumulative sum of the related group items before it.

**GroupVeraPlot**    The **GroupVersaPlot** is a plot type that can be any of the eight group plot types: GROUPBAR, STACKEDBAR, CANDLESTICK, OHLC, MULTILINE, STACKEDLINE, FLOATINGBAR and FLOATING_STACKED_BAR. Use it when you want to be able to change from one plot type to another, without deleting the instance of the old plot object and creating an instance of the new.
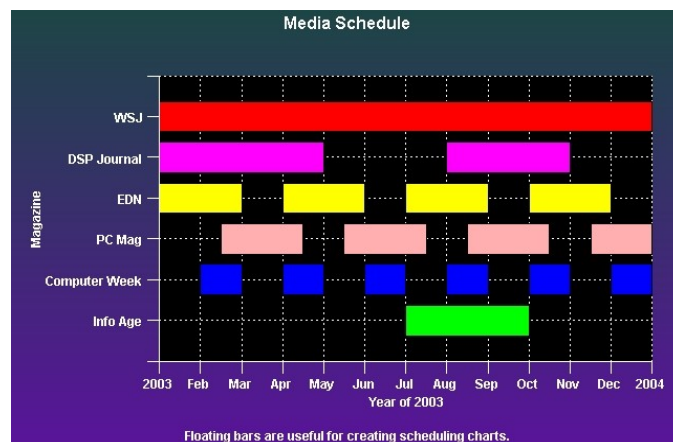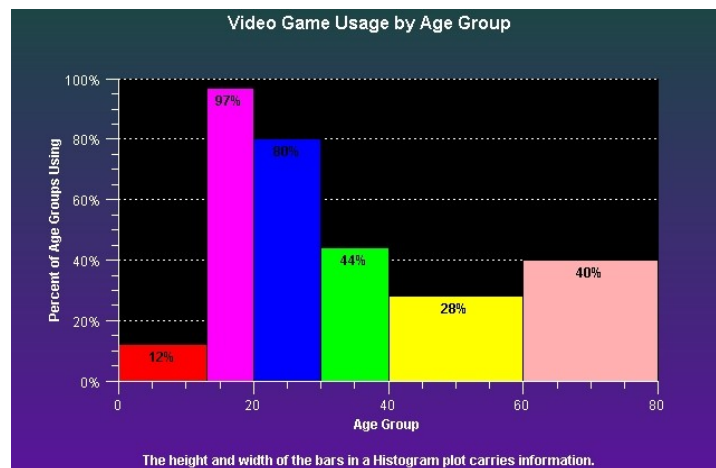


**HistogramPlot**    This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays histogram plots. A histogram plot is a collection of rectangular objects with independent widths and heights, specified using the values of the associated group dataset. The histogram bars share a common base value.

The Line Gap chart is useful for emphasizing the difference between two lines.

**LineGapPlot**

This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class. A line gap chart consists of two lines plots where a contrasting color fills the area between the two lines, highlighting the difference.



The MultLinePlot will plot a multiple y-vectors vs a single x-vector.
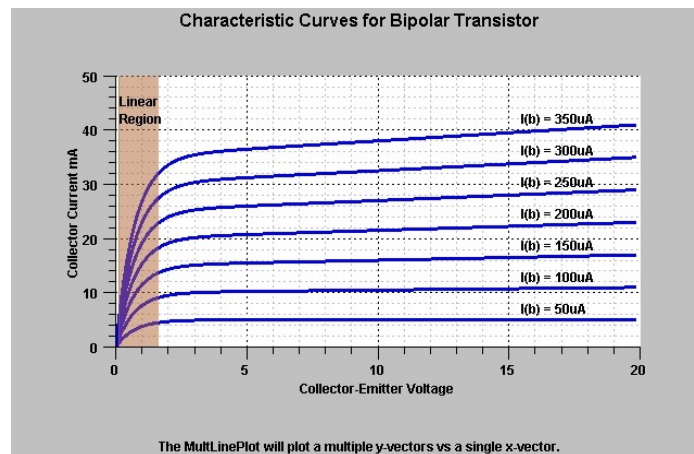
**MultiLinePlot**

This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays group data in multi-line format. A group dataset with four groups will display four separate line plots. The y-values for each line of the line plot represent the y-values for each group of the group dataset. Each line plot share the same x-values of the group dataset.
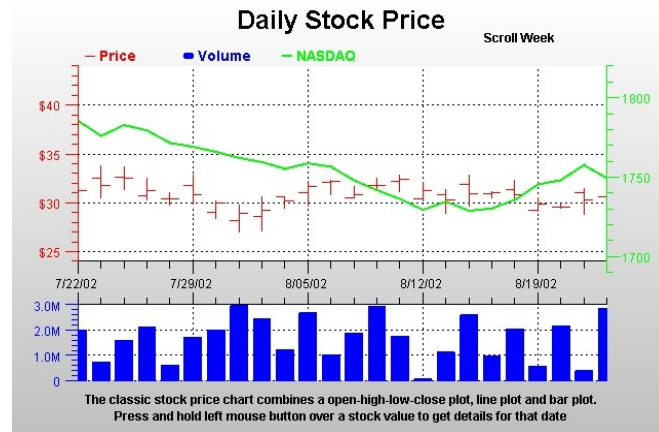
**OHLCPlot**

This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays stock market data in an open-high-low-close format common in financial technical analysis. Every item of the plot is a vertical line, representing High and Low values, with two small horizontal "flags", one left and one right extending from the vertical High-Low line and representing the Open and Close values.
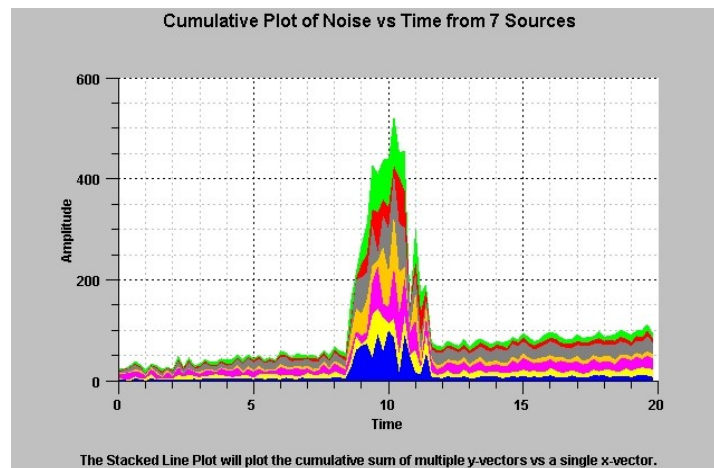


**StackedLinePlot**

This class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class and displays data in a stacked line format. In a stacked line plot each group is stacked on top of one another, each group line a cumulative sum of the related group items before it.

## Polar Plot Classes
**PolarPlot**
       **PolarLinePlot**
       **PolarScatterPlot**

Polar plots that use data organized as arrays of x- and y-values, where an x-value represents the magnitude of a point in polar coordinates, and the y-value represents the angle, in radians, of a point in polar coordinates. Polar plot types include line plots and scatter plots.

**PolarPlot**                          This class is an abstract base class for the polar plot classes.

**Polar Line and Scatter Plots**
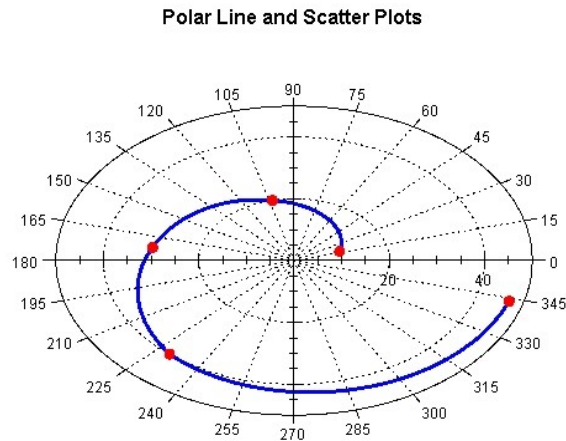


The polar line charts use true polar (not linear) interpolation between data points.

**PolarLinePlot**            This class is a concrete implementation of the **PolarPlot** class and displays data in a simple line plot format. The lines drawn between adjacent data points use polar coordinate interpolation.

**PolarScatterPlot**        This class is a concrete implementation of the **PolarPlot** class and displays data in a simple scatter plot format.

## Antenna Plot Classes
**AntennaPlot**
       **AntennaLinePlot**
       **AntennaScatterPlot**
       **AntennaLineMarkerPlot**

**GraphObj**
>    **AntennaAnnotation**

Antenna plots that use data organized as arrays of x- and y-values, where an x-value represents the radial value of a point in antenna coordinates, and the y-value represents the angle, in degrees, of a point in antenna coordinates. Antenna plot types include line plots, scatter plots, line marker plots, and an annotation class.

**AntennaPlot**                          This class is an abstract base class for the polar plot classes.
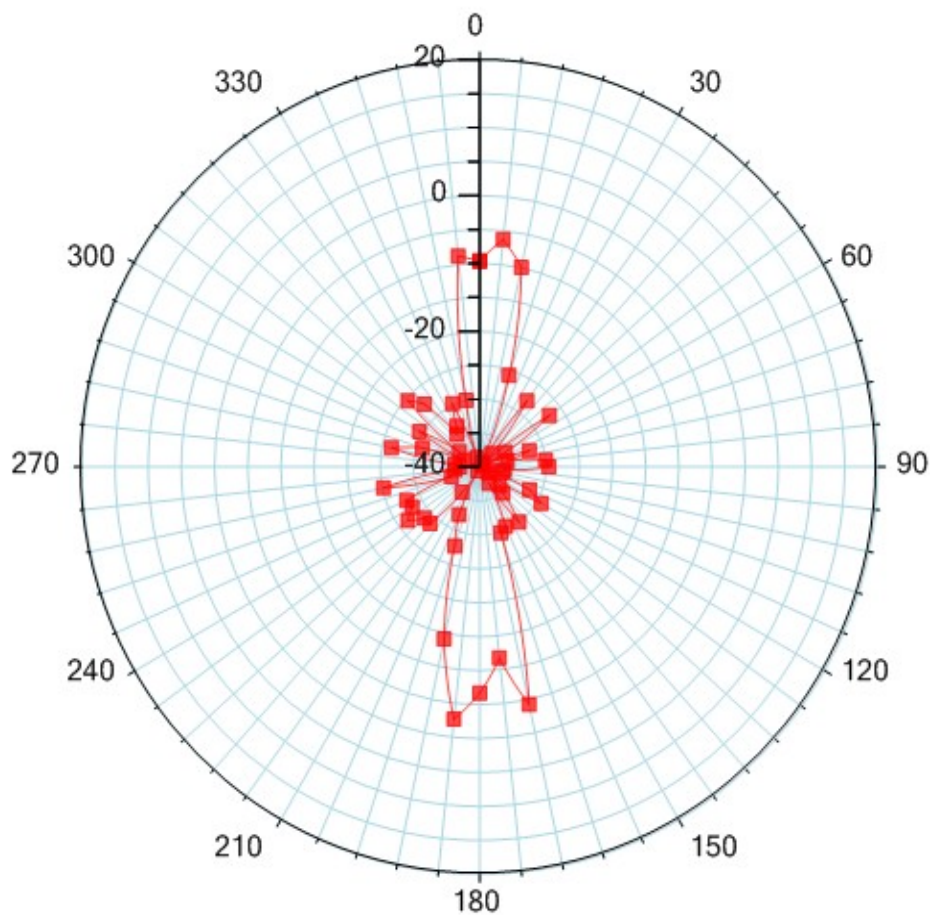


*AntennaLineMarkerPlot*

**AntennaLinePlot**                 This class is a concrete implementation of the **AntennaPlot** class and displays data in a simple line plot format. The lines drawn between adjacent data points use antenna coordinate interpolation.

**AntennaScatterPlot**    This class is a concrete implementation of the **AntennaPlot** class and displays data in a simple scatter plot format.

**AntennaLineMarkerPlot**    This class is a concrete implementation of the **AntennaPlot** class and displays data in a simple line markder plot format.

**AntennaAnnotation**    This class is used to highlight, or mark, a specific attribute of the chart. It can mark a constant radial value using a circle, or it can mark a constant angular value using a radial line from the origin to the outer edge of the scale.

## Pie and Ring Chart Classes

It uses data organized as arrays of x- and y-values, where an x-value represents the numeric value of a pie wedge, and a y-value specifies the offset (or "explosion") of a pie wedge with respect to the center of the pie.
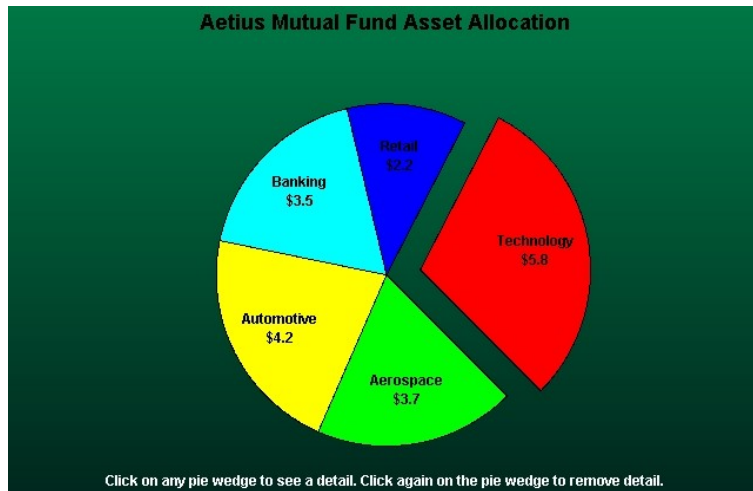


**PieChart**    The pie chart plots data in a simple pie chart format. It uses data organized as arrays of x- and y-values, where an x-value represents the numeric value of a pie wedge, and a y-value specifies the offset (or "explosion") of a pie wedge with respect to the center of the pie.
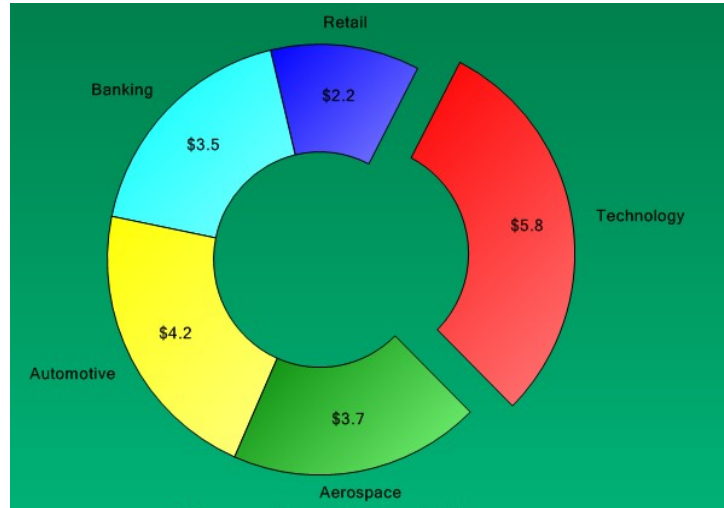
**RingChart**          The ring chart plots data in a modified pie chart format known as a ring chartt. It uses data organized as arrays of x- and y-values, where an x-value represents the numeric value of a ring segment, and a y-value specifies the offset (or "explosion") of a ring segment with respect to the origin of the ring.

## Simple Plot Classes

**SimplePlot**
      **SimpleBarPlot**
      **SimpleLineMarkerPlot**
      **SimpleLinePlot**
      **SimpleScatterPlot**
      **SimpleVeraPlot**

Simple plots use data organized as a simple array of xy points, where there is one y for every x. Simple plot types include line plots, scatter plots, bar graphs, and line-marker plots.

**SimplePlot**          This class is an abstract base class for all simple plot classes.

Production of Green Bars is Up

Bar plots can have the values of the bars displayed above or inside each bar.
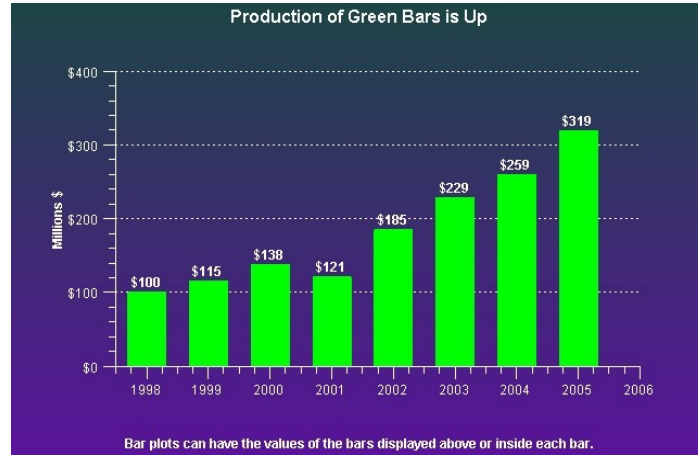
**SimpleBarPlot**

This class is a concrete implementation of the **SimplePlot** class and displays data in a bar format. Individual bars, the maximum value of which corresponds to the y-values of the dataset, are justified with respect to the x-values.
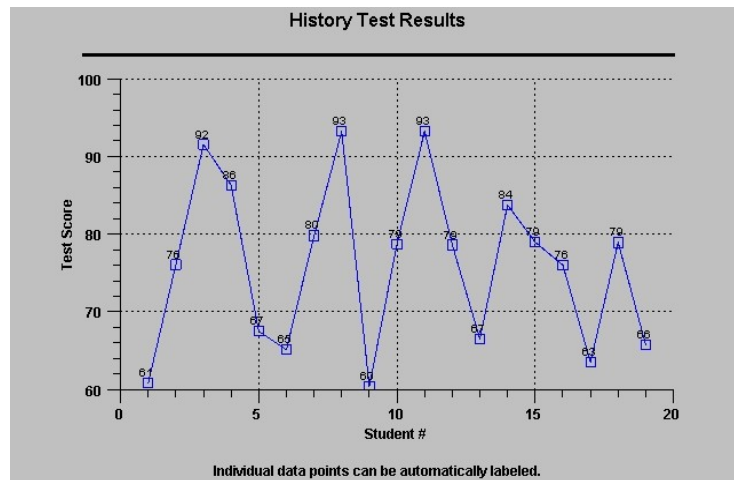


History Test Results

Individual data points can be automatically labeled.

**SimpleLineMarkerPlot**

This class is a concrete implementation of the **SimplePlot** class and it displays simple datasets in a line plot format where scatter plot symbols highlight individual data points.

Presentation quality graphs with background gradients, semi-transparent colors, legends and titles.
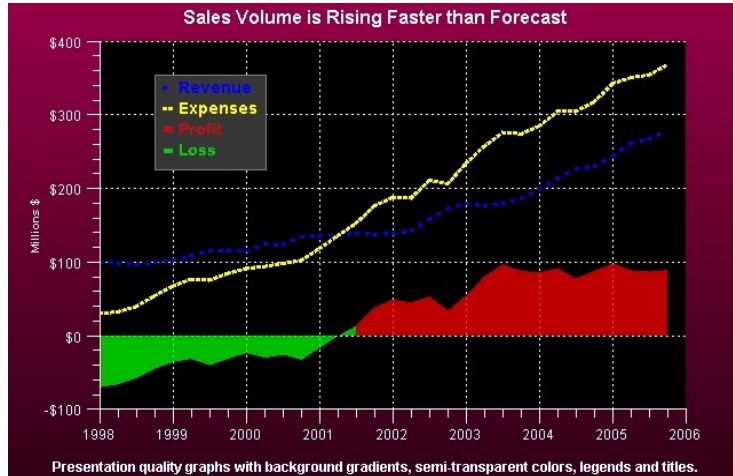
**SimpleLinePlot**          This class is a concrete implementation of the **SimplePlot** class it displays simple datasets in a line plot format. Adjacent data points are connected using a straight, or a step line.



Scatter plots usually display some form of sampled data.
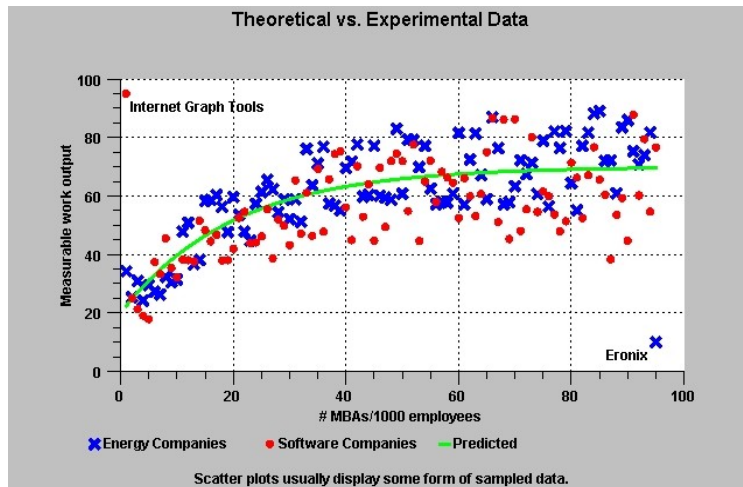
**SimpleScatterPlot**       This class is a concrete implementation of the **SimplePlot** class and it displays simple datasets in a scatter plot format where each data point is represented using a symbol.

**SimpleVersaPlot**         The **SimpleVersaPlot** is a plot type that can be any of the four simple plot types: LINE_MARKER_PLOT, LINE_PLOT, BAR_PLOT, SCATTER_PLOT. It is used when you want to be able to change from one plot type to

another, without deleting the instance of the old plot object and creating an instance of the new.

## Legend Classes

**LegendItem**
**BubblePlotLegendItem**
**Legend**
      **StandardLegend**
      **BubblePlotLegend**

Legends provide a key for interpreting the various plot objects in a graph. It organizes a collection of legend items, one for each plot objects in the graph, and displays them in a rectangular frame.

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| **Legend** | This class is the abstract base class for chart legends. |
| **LegendItem** | This class is the legend item class for all plot objects except for bubble plots. Each legend item manages one symbol and descriptive text for that symbol. The **StandardLegend** class uses objects of this type as legend items. |
| **BubblePlotLegendItem** | This class is the legend item class for bubble plots. Each legend item manages a circle and descriptive text specifying the value of a bubble of this size. The **BubblePlotLegend** class uses objects of this type as legend items. |
| **StandardLegend** | This class is a concrete implementation of the **Legend** class and it is the legend class for all plot objects except for bubble plots. The legend item objects display in a row or column format. Each legend item contains a symbol and a descriptive string. The symbol normally associates the legend item to a particular plot object, and the descriptive string describes what the plot object represents. |
| **BubblePlotLegend** | This class is a concrete implementation of the **Legend** class and it is a legend class used exclusively with bubble plots. The legend item objects display as offset, concentric circles with descriptive text giving the key for the value associated with a bubble of this size. |

## Grid Classes

**Grid**
      **PolarGrid**
      **AntennaGrid**

Grid lines are perpendicular to an axis, extending the major and/or minor tick marks of the axis across the width or height of the plot area of the chart.

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| **Grid** | This class defines the grid lines associated with an axis. Grid lines are perpendicular to an axis, extending the major and/or minor tick marks of the axis across the width or height of the plot area of the chart. This class works in conjunction with the **LinearAxis**, **LogAxis** and **TimeAxis** classes. |
| **PolarGrid** | This class defines the grid lines associated with a polar axis. A polar chart grid consists of two sets of lines. The first set is a group of concentric circles, centered on the origin and passing through the major and/or minor tick marks of the polar magnitude horizontal and vertical axes. The second set is a group of radial lines, starting at the origin and extending to the outermost edge of the polar plot circle, passing through the major and minor tick marks of the polar angle circular axis. This class works in conjunction with the **PolarAxes** class. |
| **AntennaGrid** | Analogous to the **PolarGrid**, this class draws radial, and circular grid lines for an Antenna chart. |

## Chart Text Classes

**ChartText**
      **ChartTitle**
      **AxisTitle**
      **ChartLabel**
            **NumericLabel**
            **TimeLabel**
            **StringLabel**
            **ElapsedTimeLabel**

The chart text classes draw one or more strings in the chart window. Different classes support different numeric formats, including floating point numbers, date/time values and multi-line text strings. International formats for floating point numbers and date/time values are also supported.

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| **ChartText** | This class draws a string in the current chart window. It is the base class for the **ChartTitle**, **AxisTitle** and **ChartLabel** classes. The **ChartText** class also creates independent text objects. Other classes that display text also use it internally. |
| **ChartTitle** | This class displays a text string as the title or footer of the chart. |
| **AxisTitle** | This class displays a text string as the title for an axis. The axis title position is outside of the axis label area. Axis titles for y-axes are rotated 90 degrees. |
| **ChartLabel** | This class is the abstract base class of labels that require special formatting. |
| **NumericLabel** | This class is a concrete implementation of the **ChartLabel** class and it displays formatted numeric values. |
| **TimeLabel** | This class is a concrete implementation of the **ChartLabel** class and it displays formatted **ChartCalendar** dates. |
| **ElapsedTimeLabel** | This class is a concrete implementation of the **ChartLabel** class and it displays numeric values formatted as elapsed time strings **(12:32:21).** |
| **StringLabel** | This class is a concrete implementation of the **ChartLabel** class that formats string values for use as axis labels. |

## Miscellaneous Chart Classes

**Marker**
**ChartImage**
**ChartShape**
**ChartSymbol**

Various classes are used to position and draw objects that can be used as standalone objects in a graph, or as elements of other plot objects.

| | |
|---|---|
| **Marker** | This class displays one of five marker types in a graph. The marker is used to create data cursors, or to mark data points. |
| **ChartImage** | This class encapsulates a **System.Drawing.Image** class, defining a rectangle in chart coordinates that the image is placed in. JPEG and other image files can be imported using the **System.Drawing.Image** class and displayed in a chart. |
| **ChartShape** | This class encapsulates a **System.Drawing.Drawing2D.GraphicsPath** class, placing the shape in a chart using a position defined in chart coordinates. A chart can display any object that can be defined using **System.Drawing.Drawing2D**.GraphicsPath class. |
| **ChartSymbol** | This class defines symbols used by the **SimplePlot** scatter plot functions. Pre-defined symbols include square, triangle, diamond, cross, plus, star, line, horizontal bar, vertical bar, 3D bar and circle. |

# Mouse Interaction Classes

**MouseListener**
      **MoveObj**
      **FindObj**
      **DataToolTip**
      **DataCursor**
          **MoveData**
      **MagniView**
      **MoveCoordinates**
      **MultiMouseListener**
      **ChartZoom**

Several classes implement delegates for mouse events. The **MouseListener** class implements a generic interface for managing mouse events in a graph window. The **DataCursor**, **MoveData**, **MoveObj, ChartZoom, MagniView and MoveCoordinates** classes also implement mouse event delegates that use the mouse to mark, move and zoom chart objects and data.

| | |
|---|---|
| **MouseListener** | This class implements .Net delegates that trap generic mouse events (button events and mouse motion events) that take place in a **ChartView** window. A programmer can derive a class from **MouseListener** and override the methods for mouse events, creating a custom version of the class. |
| **MoveObj** | This class extends the **MouseListener** class and it can select chart objects and move them. Moveable chart objects include axes, axes labels, titles, legends, arbitrary text, shapes and images. Use the **MoveData** class to move objects derived from **SimplePlot**. |
| **FindObj** | This class extends the **MouseListener** class, providing additional methods that selectively determine what graphical objects intersect the mouse cursor. |
| **DataCursor** | This class combines the **MouseListener** class and **Marker** class. Press a mouse button and the selected data cursor (horizontal and/or vertical line, cross hairs, or a small box) appears at the point of the mouse cursor. The data cursor tracks the mouse motion as long as the mouse button is pressed. Release the button and the data cursor disappears. This makes it easier to line up the mouse position with the tick marks of an axis. |
| **MoveData** | This class selects and moves individual data points of an object derived from the **SimplePlot** class. |
| **DataToolTip** | A data tooltip is a popup box that displays the value of a data point in a chart. The data value can consist of the x-value, the y-value, x- and y-values, group values and open-high-low-close values, for a given point in a chart. |
| **ChartZoom** | This class implements mouse controlled zooming for one or more simultaneous axes. The user starts zooming by holding down a mouse button with the mouse cursor in the plot area of a graph. The mouse is dragged and then released. The rectangle established by mouse start and stop points defines the new, zoomed, scale of the associated axes. Zooming has many different modes. Some of the combinations are: |

- One x or one y axis
- One x and one y axes

- One x and multiple y axes
- One y and multiple x axes
- Multiple x and y axes

**MagniView**         This class implements mouse controlled magnification for one or more simultaneous axes. This class implements a chart magnify class based on the **MouseListener** class. It uses two charts; the source chart and the target chart. The source chart displays the chart in its unmagnified state. The target chart displays the chart in the magnified state. The mouse positions a **MagniView** rectangle within the source chart, and the  target chart is re-scaled and redrawn to match the extents of the **MagniView** rectangle from the source chart.

**MoveCoordinates**     This class extends the **MouseListener** class and it can move the coordinate system of the underlying chart, analogous to moving (chaging the coordinates of) an internet map by "grabbing" it with the mouse and dragging it.

**MultiMouseListener**   This class is used by the **ChartView** class to support multiple mouse listeners at the same time.

# File and Printer Rendering Classes
**ChartPrint**
**BufferedImage**

**ChartPrint**         This class implements printing using the .Net **System.Drawing.Printing** print-related services. It can select, setup, and output a chart to a printer.

**BufferedImage**      This class will convert a **ChartView** object to a .Net **Image** object. Optionally, the class saves the buffered image to an image file.

# Miscellaneous Utility Classes

**ChartCalendar**
**CSV**
**Dimension**
**Point2D**
**GroupPoint2D**
**DoubleArray**
**DoubleArray2D**
**BoolArray**
**Point3D**
**NearestPointData**
**TickMark**
**Polysurface**
**Rectangle2D**

| | |
|---|---|
| **ChartCalendar** | This class contains utility routines used to process **ChartCalendar** date objects. |
| **CSV** | This is a utility class for reading and writing CSV (Comma Separated Values) files. |
| **Dimension** | This is a utility class for handling dimension (height and width) information using doubles, rather than the integers used by the Size class. |
| **Point2D** | This class encapsulates an xy pair of values as doubles (more useful in this software than the .Net Point and PointF classes. |
| **GroupPoint2D** | This class encapsulates an x-value, and an array of y-values, representing the x and y values of one column of a group data set. |
| **DoubleArray** | This class is used as an alternative to the standard .Net Array class, adding routines for resizing of the array, and the insertion and deletion of double based data elements. |
| **DoubleArray2D** | This class is used as an alternative to the standard .Net 2D Array class, adding routines for resizing of the array, and the insertion and deletion of double based data elements. |
| **BoolArray** | This class is used as an alternative to the standard .Net Array class, adding routines for resizing of the array, and the insertion and deletion of bool based data elements. |

**Point3D**            This class encapsulates an xyz set of double values used to specify 3D data values.

**NearestPointData**   This is a utility class for returning data that results from nearest point calculations.

**TickMark**           The axis classes use this class to to organize the location of the individual tick marks of an axis.

**Polysurface**        This is a utility class that defines complex 3D shapes as a list of simple 3-sided polygons. The contour plotting routines use it.

**Rectangle2D**        This is a utility class that extends the RectangleF class, using doubles as internal storage.

**A diagram depicts the class hierarchy of the QCChart2D for .*Net* library.**

```
ChartObj  ──────────────────────────────►  Point2D
    Arrow                                   Point3D
    ChartCalendar                           GroupPoint2D
    ChartEvent                              DoubleArray
    CSV                                     DoubleArray2D
    Dimension                               BoolArray
    Point3D                                 Polysurface
    NearestPointData
    Polysurface
    ChartScale
        LinearScale
        LogScale
        TimeScale
        ElapsedTimeScale
        EventScale
    UserCoordinates
        WorldCoordinates
            WorkingCoordinates
                PhysicalCoordinates
                    CartesianCoordinates
                        PolarCoordinates
                        AntennaCoordinates
                        EventCoordinates
                    TimeCoordinates
                    ElapsedTimeCoordinates

    ChartDataset
        SimpleDataset
            TimeSimpleDataset
            ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset
            ContourDataset
            EventSimpleDataset
        GroupDataset
            TimeGroupDataset
            ElapsedTimeGroupDataset
            EventGroupDataset
    AutoScale
        LinearAutoScale
        LogAutoScale
        TimeAutoScale
        ElapsedTimeAutoScale
        EventAutoScale
    MouseListener
        MoveObj
        FindObj
        DataToolTip
        ChartZoom
        MagniView
        MoveCoordinates
        MultiMouseListener
DataCursor
    MoveData
ChartAttribute
ChartGradient
ChartPrint
BufferedImage


System.Windows.Forms.UserControl
ChartView


Rectangle2D
```

GraphObj
    AntennaAnnotation
    TickMark
    Axis
        LinearAxis
            PolarAxes
            AntennaAxes
        LogAxis
        TimeAxis
        ElapsedTimeAxis
        EventAxis
    ChartText
        ChartTitle
        AxisTitle
        ChartLabel
            NumericLabel
                BarDatapointValue
            TimeLabel
            ElapsedTimeLabel
            StringLabel
        AxisLabels
            NumericAxisLabels
            TimeAxisLabels
            ElapsedTimeAxisLabels
            StringAxisLabels
            PolarAxesLabels
            AntennaAxesLabels
            EventAxisLabels
    Grid
        PolarGrid
        AntennaGrid
    LegendItem
    BubblePlotLegendItem
    Legend
        StandardLegend
        BubblePlotLegend
    ChartPlot
        SimplePlot

        SimpleLinePlot
        SimpleBarPlot
        SimpleScatterPlot
        SimpleLineMarkerPlot
        SimpleVersaPlot
    GroupPlot
        ArrowPlot
        BubblePlot
        CandlestickPlot
        CellPlot
        ErrorBarPlot
        FloatingBarPlot
        FloatingStackedBarPlot
        GroupBarPlot
        HistogramPlot
        LineGapPlot
        MultiLinePlot
        OHLCPlot
        StackedBarPlot
        StackedLinePlot
        BoxWhiskerPlot
        GroupVersaPlot
    PieChart
    RingChart
    PolarPlot
        PolarLinePlot
        PolarScatterPlot
    AntennaPlot
        AntennaLinePlot
        AntennaScatterPlot
        AntennaLineMarkerPlot

Background
ChartImage
ChartShape
ChartSymbol
Marker
ChartZoom

# 3. Chart Datasets

**ChartDataset**
      **SimpleDataset**
           **TimeSimpleDataset**
           **ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset**
           **ContourDataset**
           **EventSimpleDataset**
      **GroupDataset**
           **TimeGroupDataset**
           **ElapsedTimeGroupDataset**
           **EventGroupDataset**

The dataset classes organize the numeric data associated with a plot object. Plot objects are chart objects derived from the **ChartPlot** class. There are two major types of data supported by the dataset classes. The first is simple xy data, where for every x-value there is one y-value. The second data type is group data, where every x-value can have one or more y-values. A couple of variants of the simple xy datasets include a simple dataset type that can substitute **ChartCalendar** values, or **TimeSpan** as the x- or y-values. There are datasets used to plot contour data. And there is a simple and group datasets which can plot ChartEvent data.

Except in the case of the ChartEvent datasets (EventSimpleDataset and EventGroupDatast), copies of the original data arrays are stored. The original source data can be deleted once the dataset is created. If you want to make any changes to the data, you must change the data in the dataset, not the original source data. The ChartEvent datasets are different. Because they contain an array of ChartEvent objects, and these objects can be quite large, a copy of the ChartEvent objects is NOT made. Instead, the dataset classes reference the ChartEvent objects passed into the constructor.

Datasets can be initialized using CSV (comma separated value) files. The CSV file is a common file structure that can share data between spreadsheets, databases and word processing programs.  Datasets can also write CSV files, loadable into other programs.

If you need to plot data stored in a database, either save the data as a CSV file, or read the data into arrays. Once the data is in either format, inititialize a dataset using the appropriate class and constructor.

The **ChartDataset** class is the abstract base class for all of the dataset classes. It contains data common to all dataset classes, such as the x-value array, the number of x-values, the dataset name and the dataset type.

# Simple Numeric Dataset

## Class SimpleDataset

**ChartObj**
    |
    **+--ChartDataset**
        |
        **+--SimpleDataset**
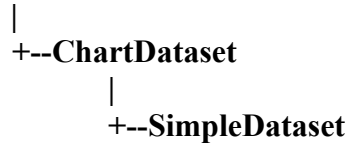
The **SimpleDataset** class represents simple floating point xy data, where for every x-value there is one y-value. The number of xy data points in a simple dataset is referred to as the number of columns, or as the property **numberDatapoints** Think of a spreadsheet file that looks like:

| x-values | x[0] | x[1] | x[2] | x[3] | x[4] | x[5] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| y-values | y[0] | y[1] | y[2] | y[3] | y[4] | y[5] |

number of xy data pairs = numberDatapoints = numberColumns = 6

This would be the ROW_MAJOR format if the data were stored in a CSV file.

It has two main constructors. This constructor creates a dataset using the x- and y-values stored in arrays.

**SimpleDataset constructors**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal sname As String, _
   ByVal x As Double(), _
   ByVal y As Double() _
)

[C#]
public SimpleDataset(
   string sname,
   double[] x,
   double[] y
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *sname* | Specifies the name of the dataset. |
| *x* | An array that specifies the x-values of a dataset. |
| *y* | An array that specifies the y-values of a dataset. The length of the y array must match the length of the x array. |

The number of data points is the value of x.Length property. The x and y arrays must be the same length and every element must be initialized to a valid value. All values in the arrays are plotted. If the data is outside of the current chart scale the values will be clipped.

The next constructor creates a dataset using the x- and y-values stored in a file that uses the CSV (Comma Separated Value) format. There are two ways to organize the numeric values in the data file. If you use the COLUMN_MAJOR format, the first column represents the x-values and the second column the y-values. If you use the ROW_MAJOR format, the first row represents the x-values and the second row the y-values. Use the **CSV.SetOrientation** method to initialize the csv argument for the proper data orientation.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal csv As CSV, _
   ByVal filename As String, _
   ByVal rowskip As Integer, _
   ByVal columnskip As Integer _
)

[C#]
public SimpleDataset(
   CSV csv,
   string filename,
   int rowskip,
   int columnskip
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *csv* | An instance of a **CSV** object. |
| *filename* | The name of the file. |
| *rowskip* | Skip this many rows before starting the read operation. |
| *columnskip* | For each row of data, skip this many columns before reading the first value from the row. |

You can retrieve references to the internal arrays used to store the data using the **SimpleDataset** methods **GetXData** and **GetYData**. Change the values in the data using these references. You can also modify a point at a time using one of the **SetDataPoint** methods. If you need to add new points to a dataset, increasing its size, use one of the **AddDataPoint**, or **InsertDataPoint** methods. Delete data points using the **DeleteDataPoint** method. In order to see the modified dataset, force the graph to redraw using **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method. The indexed accessor property of the **SimpleGroupDataset** will get or set a datapoint as a **Point2D** object.

**Example of creating simple datasets from numeric arrays**

[Visual Basic]

```vb
Dim x1() As Double = {10, 20, 30, 40, 50}
Dim y1() As Double = {9, -21, 20, 40, 30}
Dim Dataset1 As SimpleDataset = New SimpleDataset("First", x1, y1)

Dim n2 As Integer = 9
Dim x2(n2 - 1) As Double ' Dim'd dimension is upper limit, not size
Dim y2(n2 - 1) As Double ' Dim'd dimension is upper limit, not size

x2(0) = 5
x2(1) = 7
  .
  .
x2(n2 - 1) = 100

y2(0) = 15
y2(1) = 25
  .
  .
 y2(n2 - 1) = 100
 Dim Dataset2 As SimpleDataset = New SimpleDataset("Second", x2, y2)
```

[C#]

```csharp
double [] x1 = {10, 20, 30, 40, 50};
double [] y1 = {9, -21, 20, 40, 30};
SimpleDataset Dataset1 = new SimpleDataset("First", x1, y1);

int n2  = 9;
double []x2 = new double[n2]; //  dimension is size, not upper limit
double []y2 = new double[n2]; //  dimension is size, not upper limit

x2[0] = 5;
x2[1] = 7;
//.
//.
x2[n2 - 1] = 100;

y2[0] = 15;
y2[1] = 25;
//.
//.
y2[n2 - 1] = 100;
SimpleDataset Dataset2 = new SimpleDataset("Second", x2, y2);
```

## Example of reading and writing a simple dataset from a CSV file

[C#]

```csharp
CSV csvdata = new CSV();
SimpleDataset Dataset1 =
            new SimpleDataset(csvdata,"SimpleDataset.csv",0,0);
        // Write out dataset as a CSV file under a different file name
Dataset1.WriteSimpleDataset(csvdata,"SimpleDataset2.csv");
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim csvdata As CSV = New CSV()
Dim Dataset1 As SimpleDataset =
        New SimpleDataset(csvdata, "SimpleDataset.csv", 0, 0)
' Write out dataset as a CSV file under a different file name
Dataset1.WriteSimpleDataset(csvdata, "SimpleDataset2.csv")
```

**Example of modifying simple dataset elements using the indexed accessor property.**

[C#]

```
// Define a simple dataset
SimpleDataset Dataset1 = new SimpleDataset("First",x1,y1);
Point2D datapoint = Dataset1[0]; // Get the xy point at index 0 in the dataset
if datapoint.X < 0 datapoint.X =  Math.Abs(datapoint.X); // arbitrary
Dataset1[0]  = datapoint; // Change the datapoint
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim Dataset1 As SimpleDataset = New SimpleDataset("First", x1, y1)
Dim datapoint As Point2D = Dataset1(0) 'Get the xy point at index 0 in the dataset
If datapoint.X < 0 Then datapoint.X = Math.Abs(datapoint.X) ' arbitrary
Dataset1(0) = datapoint  ' Change the datapoint
```

# Simple Date/Time Dataset

## Class TimeSimpleDataset
**ChartObj**
```
      |
    +--ChartDataset
          |
        +--SimpleDataset
              |
            +-TimeSimpleDataset
```
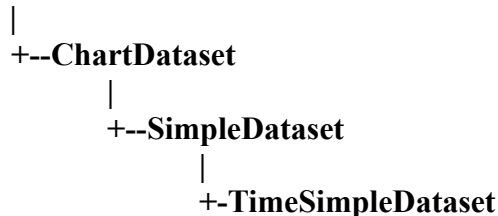
The **TimeSimpleDataset** uses **ChartCalendar** dates as one set of the x- or y-values, and floating point values as the other. *Starting with Revision 2.0 of the software*, you can have **ChartCalendar** dates as either the x- or y-values in a **TimeSimpleDatset**. **ChartCalendar** values are actually stored internally as their equivalent millisecond values. The **TimeSimpleDataset** class adds a large number of methods to the **SimpleDataset** class that make it easy to create and modify datasets that use **ChartCalendar** values.

*Note* - Do **not** use the **TimeSimpleDataset** if you want to display data using the elapsed time. The **TimeSimpleDataset** uses a full GregorianCalendar date/time and it is not suitable for the display of elapsed time, since time intervals do not have an explicit date,

i.e. 10/11/2008. Use the **ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset** class, in combination with an **ElapsedTimeCoordinateSystem**, if you plan to create an elapsed time chart.

It has two main constructors. The following constructor creates a time dataset using the x- and y-values stored in arrays.

**TimeSimpleDataset constructors**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal sname As String, _
   ByVal x As ChartCalendar(), _
   ByVal y As Double() _
)
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal sname As String, _
   ByVal x As Double() _
   ByVal y As ChartCalendar(), _
)
[C#]
public TimeSimpleDataset(
   string sname,
   ChartCalendar[] x,
   double[] y
);
public TimeSimpleDataset(
   string sname,
   double[] x
   ChartCalendar[] y,
);
```

*sname*          Specifies the name of the dataset.

*x*              An array that specifies the x-values (either *doubles* or ChartCalendar objects) of a dataset.

*y*              An array that specifies the y-values of a dataset. (either *doubles* or ChartCalendar objects).  The length of the y array must match the length of the x array.

Either x- or y-values should be **ChartCalendar** based. The number of data points is the value of x.Length property. The x and y arrays must be the same length and every element must be initialized to a valid value. All values in the arrays are plotted. If the data is outside of the current chart scale the values will be clipped.

The next constructor creates a time dataset using the x- and y-values stored in a file that uses the CSV (Comma Separated Value) format. There are two ways to organize the numeric values in the data file. If you use the COLUMN_MAJOR format, the first column represents the time values and the second column the y-values. If you use the ROW_MAJOR format, the first row represents the time values and the second row the y-values. Use the **CSV.SetOrientation** method to initialize the csv argument for the proper data orientation.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal csv As CSV, _
   ByVal filename As String, _
   ByVal rowskip As Integer, _
   ByVal columnskip As Integer _
)
[C#]
public TimeSimpleDataset(
   CSV csv,
   string filename,
   int rowskip,
   int columnskip
);
```

*csv*                An instance of a **CSV** object.

*filename*           The name of the file.

*rowskip*            Skip this many rows before starting the read operation.

*columnskip*         For each row of data, skip this many columns before starting this
                     read operation.

A **DateTimeFormatInfo** object, and a date time format string, in the **CSV** class, control
the interpretation of the **ChartCalendar** values. The format in the file must match the
format specified for the **CSV** class. The underlying conversion mechanism calls the
**DateTime.ToString(String formatstring, DateTimeFormatInfo info)** method for the
conversion. The default format for the date time *formatstring* object is "M/dd/yy". Call
the **SetDateTimeFomatString** method to change the default date time format. See the
documentation for the .Net **DateTime.ToString** method to figure out the various
formatting options for the date time format string. If you are into internationalization (and
difficult to understand .Net documentation), you can also create your own
**DateTimeFormatInfo** object**,** installing it in the **CSV** object using
**CSV.SetTimeDateFormat** method**.** The date time format string and the
**DateTimeFormatInfo** object apply to both CSV files used for input, and CSV files used
for output. If an attempt is made to read date/time values that do not match the desired
format, the data values are set to invalid date/time values.

You can retrieve a *copy* of the date time data using the
**TimeSimpleDataset.GetTimeXData** (or **GetTimeYData** ) method. It returns an array of
**ChartCalendar** objects, and it is *not* a reference to the underlying data. The underlying
data is stored as double values that represent the millisecond equivalent of the date time
values. The **TimeSimpleDataset GetXData** and **GetYData** methods return references to
the underlying numeric data**.** You can also modify a point at a time using one of the
**SetTimeDataPoint, SetTimeXDataValue** (or  **SetTimeYDataValue)** and
**SetYDataValue** (or **SetXDataValue**) methods. If you need to add new points to the

dataset, increasing its size, use one of the **AddTimeDataPoint**, or **InsertTimeDataPoint** methods. Delete data points using the **DeleteTimeDataPoint** method. In order to see the modified dataset, force the graph to redraw using **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method.

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**Example of creating a simple time datasets**

[C#]

```
int nnumpnts = 32;
ChartCalendar [] x1= new ChartCalendar[nnumpnts];
double []y1 = new double[nnumpnts];
double []y2 = new double[nnumpnts];
y1[0] = 100;
y2[0] = 30;
x1[0] = (ChartCalendar) currentdate.Clone();
currentdate.Add(ChartObj.MONTH,3);
for (i=1; i < nnumpnts; i++)
{
    x1[i] = (ChartCalendar) currentdate.Clone();
    y1[i] += y1[i-1] +  (5 + i) * (0.75 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble());
    y2[i] +=  y2[i-1] +  (15 + i) * (0.95 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble());
    currentdate.Add(ChartObj.MONTH,3);
}
TimeSimpleDataset Dataset1 = new TimeSimpleDataset("Sales",x1,y1);
TimeSimpleDataset Dataset2 = new TimeSimpleDataset("Expenses",x1,y2);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim nnumpnts As Integer = 32
Dim x1(nnumpnts-1) As ChartCalendar
Dim y1(nnumpnts-1) As Double
Dim y2(nnumpnts-1) As Double
Dim currentdate As New ChartCalendar(1998, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1)
y1(0) = 100
y2(0) = 30
x1(0) = currentdate.Clone()
currentdate.Add(ChartObj.MONTH, 3)
For i = 1 To nnumpnts - 1
  x1(i) = currentdate.Clone()
  y1(i) += y1((i - 1)) + (5 + i) * (0.75 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble())
  y2(i) += y2((i - 1)) + (15 + i) * (0.95 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble())
  currentdate.Add(ChartObj.MONTH, 3)
Next i
Dim Dataset1 As New TimeSimpleDataset("Sales", x1, y1)
Dim Dataset2 As New TimeSimpleDataset("Expenses", x1, y2)
```

**Example of creating a simple time datasets from a CSV file**

[C#]

```
// Default time date format is "M/dd/yyyy"
CSV csvDataFile = new CSV();

// Create a dataset based on a previously saved csv file
TimeSimpleDataset Dataset1 =
      new TimeSimpleDataset(csvDataFile," LineFill.Dataset1.csv ",0,0);

// Write out dataset as a CVS file
```

```
Dataset1.WriteTimeSimpleDataset(csv,"LineFill.Dataset1.csv");

// Read it back in just as a test
Dataset1.ReadTimeSimpleDataset(csv,"LineFill.Dataset1.csv",0,0);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
'Default time date format is "M/dd/yyyy"
Dim csvDataFile As CSV = New CSV()

'Create a dataset based on a previously saved csv file
Dim Dataset1 As TimeSimpleDataset = _
        New TimeSimpleDataset(csvDataFile, " LineFill.Dataset1.csv ", 0, 0)

'Write out dataset as a CVS file
Dataset1.WriteTimeSimpleDataset(csvDataFile, "LineFill.Dataset1.csv")
' Read it back in just as a test
Dataset1.ReadTimeSimpleDataset(csvDataFile, "LineFill.Dataset1.csv", 0, 0)
```
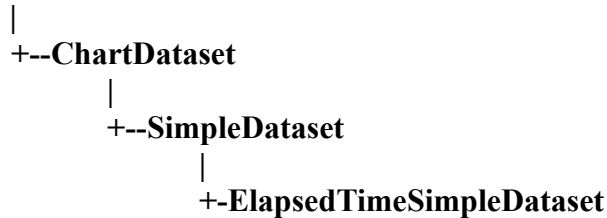
# Simple ElapsedTime Dataset

## Class ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset
**ChartObj**
```
        |
      +--ChartDataset
              |
            +--SimpleDataset
                    |
                  +-ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset
```

The **ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset** class uses **TimeSpan** values as one set of the x- or y-values, and floating point values as the other. **TimeSpan** values are actually stored internally as their equivalent millisecond values.

It has two main constructors. The following constructor creates a time dataset using the x- and y-values stored in arrays.

**ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset constructors**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal sname As String, _
   ByVal x As TimeSpan(), _
   ByVal y As Double() _
)
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal sname As String, _
   ByVal x As Double() _
   ByVal y As _TimeSpan_(), _
)
[C#]
public ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset(
   string sname,
   _TimeSpan []_ x,
```

```
   double[] y
);
public ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset(
   string sname,
   double[] x
   TimeSpan [] y,
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *sname* | Specifies the name of the dataset. |
| *x* | An array that specifies the x-values (either *doubles* or **TimeSpan** objects) of a dataset. |
| *y* | An array that specifies the y-values of a dataset. (either *doubles* or **TimeSpan** objects).  The length of the y array must match the length of the x array. |

Either x- or y-values should be **TimeSpan** based. The number of data points is the value of x.Length property. The x and y arrays must be the same length and every element must be initialized to a valid value. All values in the arrays are plotted. If the data is outside of the current chart scale the values will be clipped.

The next constructor creates an elapsed time dataset using the x- and y-values stored in a file that uses the CSV (Comma Separated Value) format. There are two ways to organize the numeric values in the data file. If you use the COLUMN_MAJOR format, the first column represents the time values and the second column the y-values. If you use the ROW_MAJOR format, the first row represents the time values and the second row the y-values. Use the **CSV.SetOrientation** method to initialize the csv argument for the proper data orientation.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal csv As CSV, _
   ByVal filename As String, _
   ByVal rowskip As Integer, _
   ByVal columnskip As Integer _
)
[C#]
public ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset(
   CSV csv,
   string filename,
   int rowskip,
   int columnskip
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *csv* | An instance of a **CSV** object. |
| *filename* | The name of the file. |
| *rowskip* | Skip this many rows before starting the read operation. |

| | |
|---|---|
| *columnskip* | For each row of data, skip this many columns before starting this read operation. |

The only supported format for elapsed time values in a CSV file is d.hh.mm.ss.fff, (3.14:23:12.333 as an example of an elapsed time of three days, 14 hours, 23 minutes, 12 seconds and 333 milliseconds).

You can also modify a point at a time using **SetElapsedTimeXDataValue** (or **SetElapsedTimeYDataValue**) if you are using **TimeSpan** objects**,** and **SetYDataValue** or **SetXDataValue**) if you use millisecond values. If you need to add new points to the dataset, increasing its size, use one of the **AddDataPoint**, or **InsertDataPoint** methods. Delete data points using the **DeleteDataPoint** method. In order to see the modified dataset, force the graph to redraw using **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method.

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**Example of creating a simple elapsed time datasets, extracted from the NewDemosRev2.ElapsedTimeChart example program.**

[C#]

```
int  numPoints = 100;
TimeSpan[] x1 = new TimeSpan[numPoints];
double []y1 = new double[numPoints];
double []y2 = new double[numPoints];
int i;
for (i=0; i < numPoints; i++)
{
    x1[i] =  TimeSpan.FromMilliseconds( i * 30 * 1000);  // 30000 milliseconds
increment
 // Or you can use seconds, and the FromSeconds method
//  x1[i] = TimeSpan.FromSeconds(i * 30);  // 30 seconds increment
     if (Math.Sin(x1[i].TotalSeconds / 20.0) > 0)
       y1[i] = 20.0 + 50.0 * (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()) * (Math.Sin(-
x1[i].TotalSeconds / 5));
    else
      y1[i] = 20.0 + 5.0 * (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()) * (Math.Sin(-
x1[i].TotalSeconds / 2));

   y2[i] = y1[i] + ((5 + 0.2 * x1[i].TotalSeconds) * (0.5 -
ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()));
}
ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset Dataset1 = new ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset("First", x1, y1);
ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset Dataset2 = new ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset("Second", x1,
y2);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim numPoints As Integer = 100
Dim x1 As TimeSpan() = New TimeSpan(numPoints - 1) {}
Dim y1 As Double() = New Double(numPoints - 1) {}
Dim y2 As Double() = New Double(numPoints - 1) {}
Dim i As Integer

For i = 0 To numPoints - 1
   x1(i) = TimeSpan.FromMilliseconds(i * 30 * 1000)
```

```
    ' 30000 milliseconds increment
    ' Or you can use seconds, and the FromSeconds method
    ' x1[i] = TimeSpan.FromSeconds(i * 30); // 30 seconds increment
    If Math.Sin(x1(i).TotalSeconds / 20.0R) > 0 Then
        y1(i) = 20.0R + 50.0R * (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()) * (Math.Sin(-
x1(i).TotalSeconds / 5))
    Else
        y1(i) = 20.0R + 5.0R * (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()) * (Math.Sin(-
x1(i).TotalSeconds / 2))
    End If

    y2(i) = y1(i) + ((5 + 0.2 * x1(i).TotalSeconds) * (0.5 -
ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()))
 Next

Dim Dataset1 As New ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset("First", x1, y1)
Dim Dataset2 As New ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset("Second", x1, y2)
```

# Contour Plot Dataset

## Class ContourDataset
## ChartObj
    |
      **+--ChartDataset**
             |
             **+--SimpleDataset**
                   |
                   **+-ContourDataset**
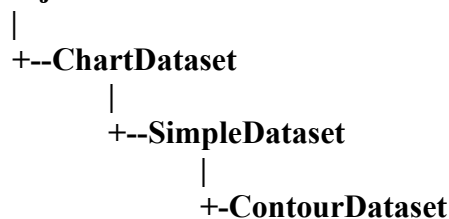
The **ContourDataset** adds a third dimension (z-values) to the x- and y- values of the simple dataset. It is use exclusively with the contour plotting class, **ContourPlot**.

This constructor creates a new **ContourDataset** object that represents a surface formed by a regular grid in the xy plane. The number of objects in the **Point3D** array must equal (rows * columns) and must form an even grid in the xy plane.

### ContourDataset constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal sname As String, _
   ByVal grid As Point3D(), _
   ByVal rows As Integer, _
   ByVal columns As Integer _
)
[C#]
public ContourDataset(
   string sname,
   Point3D[] grid,
   int rows,
   int columns
);
```

This constructor creates a new **ContourDataset** object that represents a surface, not necessarily a regular grid. A triangularization alorithm calculates the interconnection of the vertices defining the surface.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal sname As String, _
   ByVal grid As Point3D() _
)
[C#]
public ContourDataset(
   string sname,
   Point3D[] grid
);
```

This constructor creates a new **ContourDataset** object that represents a surface, not necessarily a regular grid. A triangularization algorithm calculates the interconnection of the vertices defining the surface. The length of the x, y and z arrays must match.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal sname As String, _
   ByVal x As Double(), _
   ByVal y As Double(), _
   ByVal z As Double() _
)
[C#]
public ContourDataset(
   string sname,
   double[] x,
   double[] y,
   double[] z
);
```

This constructor creates a new **ContourDataset** object defined using the supplied **SurfaceFunction** class, evaluated for the range x1,y1 to x2,y2 at intervals equal to (x2-x1)/columns for the x direction, and (y2-y1)/rows in the y direction. This forms a regular grid surface.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal sname As String, _
   ByVal rows As Integer, _
   ByVal columns As Integer, _
   ByVal x1 As Double, _
   ByVal y1 As Double, _
   ByVal x2 As Double, _
   ByVal y2 As Double, _
   ByVal sf As SurfaceFunction _
)
[C#]
public ContourDataset(
   string sname,
   int rows,
   int columns,
```

```
    double x1,
    double y1,
    double x2,
    double y2,
    SurfaceFunction sf
);
```

The next constructor creates a dataset using the x-, y- and z-values stored in a file that uses the CSV (Comma Separated Value) format. There are two ways to organize the numeric values in the data file. If you use the COLUMN_MAJOR format, the first column represents the x-values and the second and third columns the y- and z-values. If you use the ROW_MAJOR format, the first row represents the x-values and the second and third row the y- and z-values. Use the **CSV.SetOrientation** method to initialize the csv argument for the proper data orientation.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
    ByVal csv As CSV, _
    ByVal filename As String, _
    ByVal rowskip As Integer, _
    ByVal columnskip As Integer _
)
[C#]
public ContourDataset(
    CSV csv,
    string filename,
    int rowskip,
    int columnskip
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *sname* | Specifies the name of the dataset. |
| *grid* | An array, size [npoints] (or size [rows * columns]) of **Point3D** points, that specifies the xyz values of a dataset.  Some of the constructors require the data points form a regular grid in the xy plane. A regular grid is one where the x-increment between adjacent x-values is fixed, as is the y-increment. The x-increment and the y-increment do not have to be the same. |
| *rows* | Specifies the number of rows (in the y direction) in the regular grid. Also specifies the number of rows (or y-values) to evaluate the function over in the constructor that uses a **SurfaceFunction** argument. |
| *columns* | Specifies the number of columns (in the x direction) in the regular grid. Also specifies the number of columns (or y-values) to evaluate the function over in the constructor that uses a **SurfaceFunction** argument. |
| *npoints* | Specifies the number of xyz data point triplets in the grid array. |
| *x* | An array, size [npoints] of double that specifies the x-values of the dataset. The length of the y and z arrays must equal x.Length. |

| | |
|---|---|
| *y* | An array, size [npoints] of double that specifies the y-values of the dataset. |
| *z* | An array, size [npoints] of double that specifies the z-values of the dataset. |
| *x1, y1, x2, y2* | The **SurfaceFunction** sf is evaluated for the range x1,y1 to x2, y2. |
| *sf* | The dataset data points are created by evaluating the **SurfaceFunction** across the range x1,y1 to x2, y2. |
| *csv* | An instance of a **CSV** object. |
| *filename* | The name of the file. |
| *rowskip* | Skip this many rows before starting the read operation. |
| *columnskip* | For each row of data, skip this many columns before reading the first value from the row. |

**Example of creating a contour dataset from an array of Point3D**

[C#]

```
int nrows=11, ncols=11;
int i, j, count=0;
double x, y, z;
double startx = -6.0, starty = -6.0;
double stepx = 12.0/(nrows-1), stepy = 12.0/(ncols-1);
Point3D []pointarray;

pointarray = new Point3D[nrows * ncols];
x = startx;
y = starty;
for (i = 0; i < nrows; i++)
{
   x = startx;
   for (j=0; j < ncols; j++)
   {
     pointarray[count] = new Point3D();
     z = 2000 + ( 950 * Math.Sin(Math.Sqrt(x*x+ y*y)));
     pointarray[count].SetLocation(x, y, z);
     x += stepx;
     count++;
   }
   y += stepy;
}
// This method triangulates data into a surface
ContourDataset dataset1 =  new ContourDataset("Contour Dataset",pointarray);
// This method uses the characteristic that the data is an even spaced grid.
ContourDataset dataset2=
   new ContourDataset("Contour Dataset",pointarray, nrows, ncols);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim nrows As Integer = 11
Dim ncols As Integer = 11
Dim count As Integer = 0
Dim i, j As Integer
Dim x, y, z As Double
Dim tempx, tempy As Double
Dim startx As Double = -6.0
Dim starty As Double = -6.0
Dim stepx As Double = 12.0 / (nrows - 1)
Dim stepy As Double = 12.0 / (ncols - 1)
Dim pointarray(nrows * ncols - 1) As Point3D

x = startx
y = starty
For i = 0 To nrows - 1
  x = startx
  For j = 0 To ncols - 1
    pointarray(count) = New Point3D()
    tempx = x + 1.75 * (ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble() - 0.5)
    tempy = y + 1.75 * (ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble() - 0.5)
    z = 2000 + 950 * Math.Sin(Math.Sqrt((tempx * tempx + tempy * tempy)))
    pointarray(count).SetLocation(tempx, tempy, z)
    x += stepx
    count += 1
  Next j
  y += stepy
 Next i
 dataset1 = New ContourDataset("Contour Dataset", pointarray)
 ' This method uses the characteristic that the data is an even spaced grid.
 Dim dataset2 As ContourDataset = _
    New ContourDataset("Contour Dataset",pointarray, nrows, ncols);
```

## Example of creating a contour dataset from a function

[C#]

```
ContourDataset dataset1 = null;
class ZValueFunctionClass: SurfaceFunction
{
    public override double CalcZValue(double x, double y)
    {
        double z;
        x = x + 1.75 * (ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble() - 0.5);
        y = y + 1.75 * (ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble() - 0.5);
        z = 1500 + (1500.0 * Math.Sin(Math.Sqrt(x*x+ y*y)));
        return z;
    }
}

void CreateRegularGridPolysurface()
{
    ZValueFunctionClass zValueFunction = new ZValueFunctionClass();
    dataset1 =   new ContourDataset("Contour ChartDataset",11, 11,
                    -6.0, -6.0, 6.0, 6.0, zValueFunction);
}
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Class ZValueFunctionClass Inherits SurfaceFunction
  Public Overrides Function CalcZValue(ByVal x As Double, ByVal y As Double) _
                                     As Double
    Dim z As Double
    x = x + 0.5 * (ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble() - 0.5)
    y = y + 0.5 * (ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble() - 0.5)
```

```
      z = 2000 + 950 * Math.Sin(Math.Sqrt((x * x + y * y)))
      Return z
   End Function 'CalcZValue
End Class 'ZValueFunctionClass

Sub CreateRegularGridPolysurface()
   Dim zValueFunction As New ZValueFunctionClass()
   dataset1 = New ContourDataset("Contour Dataset", 32, 32, _
                         -7.1, -7.1, 7.1, 7.1, zValueFunction)
End Sub 'CreateRegularGridPolysurface
```
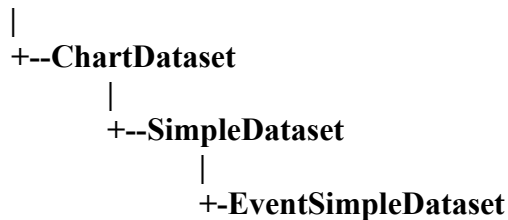
# Simple Event Dataset

## Class
### EventSimpleDataset
**ChartObj**
```
     |
   +--ChartDataset
         |
       +--SimpleDataset
            |
           +-EventSimpleDataset
```

## Background for ChartEvent datasets

Most coordinate systems used in plotting represent a continuous domain.  In the QCChart2D software, these includes linear, logarithmic, simple time/date, elapsed time, polar, and antenna coordinate systems. The one exception is a variant of the time/date scale which allows for periodic, yet discontinuous time. In the time/date scale case, it is possible to remove weekends from the time scale, and to define the hours of the day to be some subset of the standard 24-hour cycle. The most often used example is the stock trading day used in the US, which is from 9:30 to 16:00, and does not include weekends.

Unfortunately, the time coordinate system, even with discontinuous time, is still insufficient to plot the great variety of time plots needed in the financial services, and other, industries.  Some of these special requirements are:

- Must be able to remove arbitrary (non-periodic) days, holidays for example, from the time/date scale.
- Allow for a sub range of a day which crosses 24:00, i.e. 18:00 to 3:00.
- Allow for multiple, active time ranges within the same 24-hour period, i.e. 9:00 AM to 12:00 and 14:00 to 18:00.
- Smooth panning and zooming of data across  discontinuous time boundaries.
- Allow for exceptions to the predefined set of rules. For example, be able to include a weekend day, or a specific set of hours normally excluded from the scale.
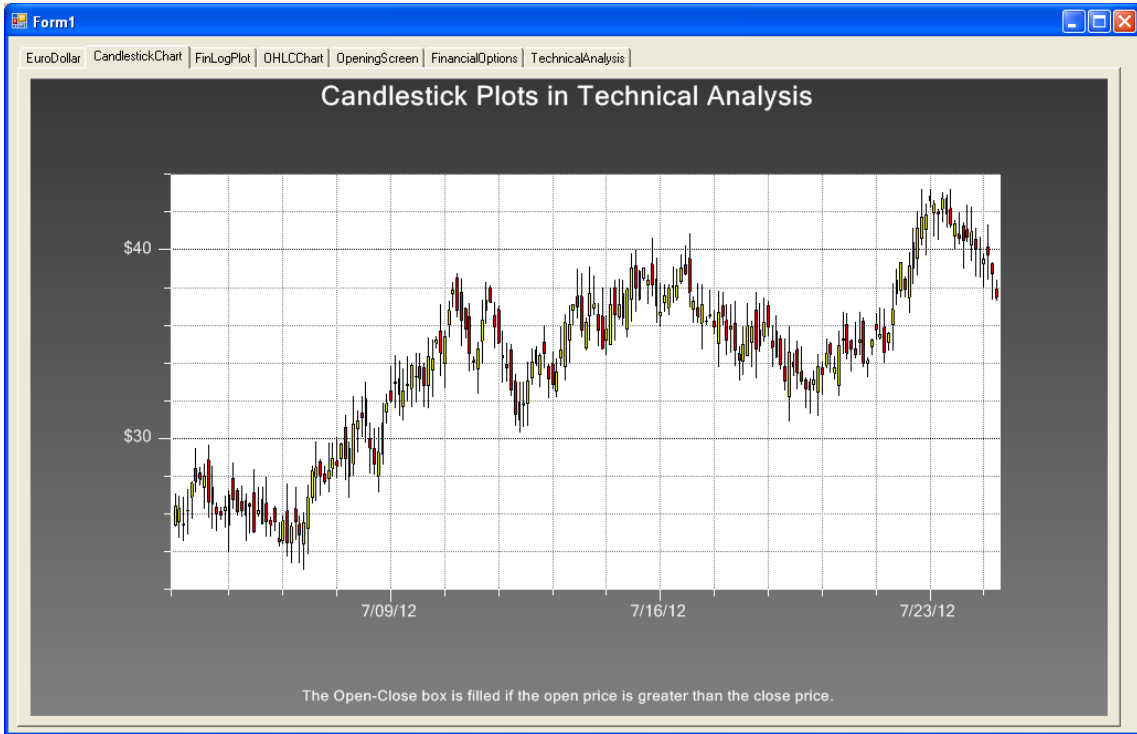
These requirements are common enough that we wanted to address them with new coordinate system, dataset and axis classes, which can accommodate any set of continuous, or discontinuous time/date values, but not waste display space on gaps where no data exists. Rather than extend the existing time/date coordinate system (TimeCoordinates), we chose to create new coordinate system, EventCoordinates, which uses discrete events, rather than a continuous domain, as the basis for plotting data. The basis of the EventCoordinates system are the event dataset classes: EventSimpleDataset, and EventGroupDataset, and the underlying array of ChartEvent objects . Rather than define a plot using arrays of x- and y-values, a ChartEvent represents a specific point in time. The point in time has the following major properties as distinguishing elements:

- **Description** – A description of the event.
- **ShortDescription** -  An abbreviated description of the event.
- **AxisLabel** – A string which can be uses as an axis label for the event.
- **ToolTip** – A custom tool-tip which can be displayed if the event is clicked on.
- **Position** – The position of the event with respect to the underlying linear coordinate system.
- **TimeStamp** – The time stamp of the event. Indirectly related to the Position of the event in the coordinate system
- **NumericTimeStamp** – The numeric value of the time stamp in milliseconds + an offset (numericTimeStampOffset).
- **NumericValues** - One or more numeric y-values (a simple plot uses a single y-value, while a group plot uses an array of y-values.

The ChartEvent class incorporates two x-value positioning properties, the Position and the TimeStamp, and one or more numeric y-values for each event. A single event therefore defines both the x-and y-values of the event in the underlying coordinate system. A collection, or array, of ChartEvent objects define the data for a plot, the same way as arrays of x- and y-values define a plot when using a simple dataset class with a Cartesian coordinate system. The critical element of the ChartEvent which permit it to be used for the plotting of discontinuous data is that the Position of  the event in a chart is related, but, independent of the TimeStamp of the event. Event data can be positioned contiguously, and evenly spaced, in a chart, even if the time stamps of the events are not contiguous, or evenly spaced. Here is a simple example of a standard financial candlestick plot chart, using our TimeCoordinates class as the coordinate system, where the time/date data is not evenly spaced, and contains large gaps corresponding to weekends, and inactive hours of the day. The July 4th holiday is included in the range, and there is no data for that time interval either.
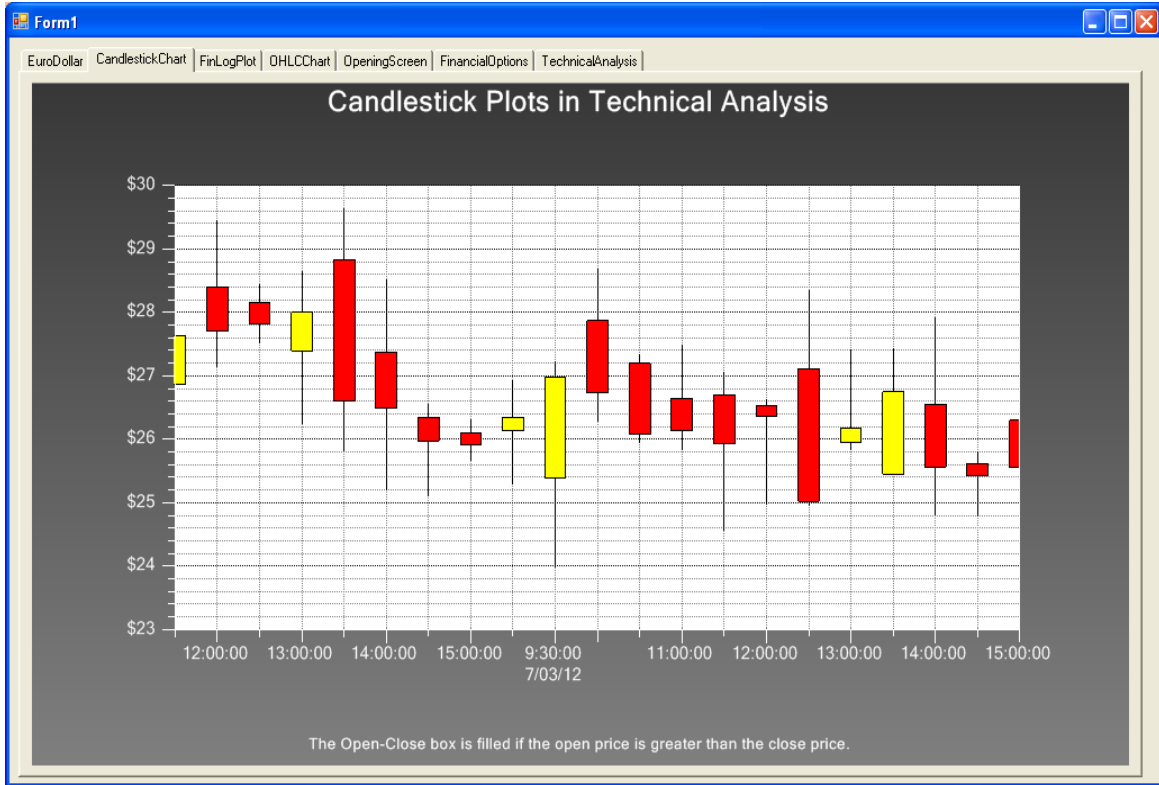
Contrast this to the similar data,  using the same time range, plotted using the EventCoordinates class. Note how every event is evenly spaced with its neighbor. Gaps do not exist, since weekends, holidays, and unused hours are bridged over as if they do not exist.he same would be true for gaps due to holidays, and a varying number of work hours in a day.

Zooming in further, you can see the smooth transition across the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday, and the following weekend.

Zoom in again, and you can see the smooth transition from one day to the next, even though the working hours are only a 9:30 to 16:00 subset of the 24 hours of a day.



This is accomplished because of the dual positioning values, Position and TimeStamp, of the ChartEvent class. Each element of a plot object (one of the candlestick objects in the plot above) is positioned in a simple linear coordinate system, starting at 0 and incrementing by 1 for each ChartEvent object. In the previous example, the first ChartEvent object is has a Position value of 0.0, and the last ChartEvent object has a position of 199, because there are 200 data points in the chart. This is what keeps the individual elements of a plot o bject evenly spaced, because the plot elements are positioned in the chart using the Position value, not the TimeStamp value. But, the associated x-axis (EventAxis) and x-axis labels objects (EventAxisLabels) look to the TimeStamp property for their values, not the Position property. What you end up with is the clean, evenly spaced look of a simple linear chart, with the axis tick marks and axis labeling of a dedicated time/date axis. The graph can be made to scroll (or pan) left to right, or re-scale along the y-axis, smoothly.

The EventSimpleDataset class is used to supply the simple plot classes: SimpleLinePlot, SimpleBarPlot, SimpleScatterPlot, and SimpleLineMarkerPlot, with data.

A ChartEvent can have one ore more y-values. In the case of an EventSimpleDataset, usually  it will have a single value, as seen in the programming example below, one y-

value for each x-value. In the EventGroupDataset, each ChartEvent object can have multiple y-values for each x-value.

## EventSimpleDataset constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal sname As String, _
   ByVal ev As ChartEvent()
)

[C#]
public EventSimpleDataset(
   string sname,
   ChartEvent_[] ev
);
```

*sname*               Specifies the name of the dataset.

*ev*               An array of ChartEvent objects.

Create an array of ChartEvent objects, specifying the time-stamp and y-value for each ChartEvent object and use that to initialize a EventSimpleDataset.

The next constructor creates an ChartEvent dataset using the x- and y-values stored in a file that uses the CSV (Comma Separated Value) format. Only the COLUMN_MAJOR format is supported, where each row presents a ChartEvent object, and the columns are organized as: description, short description, x-axis string label, tool tip string, position, time stamp, numeric time stamp, y-value index (index for the y-value to use when the ChartEvent contains multiple y-values), and the y-values.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal csv As CSV, _
   ByVal filename As String, _
   ByVal rowskip As Integer, _
   ByVal columnskip As Integer _
)
[C#]
public EventSimpleDataset(
   CSV csv,
   string filename,
   int rowskip,
   int columnskip
);
```

*csv*               An instance of a **CSV** object.

*filename*          The name of the file.

*rowskip*           Skip this many rows before starting the read operation.

*columnskip*      For each row of data, skip this many columns before starting this read operation.

A **DateTimeFormatInfo**  object, and a date time format string, in the **CSV** class, control the interpretation of the **ChartCalendar** values. The format in the file must match the format specified for the **CSV** class. The underlying conversion mechanism calls the **DateTime.ToString(String formatstring, DateTimeFormatInfo info)** method for the conversion. The default format for the date time *formatstring*  object is "M/dd/yy". Call the **SetDateTimeFomatString** method to change the default date time format. See the documentation for the .Net **DateTime.ToString** method to figure out the various formatting options for the date time format string. If you are into internationalization (and difficult to understand .Net documentation), you can also create your own **DateTimeFormatInfo** object**,** installing it in the **CSV** object using **CSV.SetTimeDateFormat** method**.** The date time format string and the **DateTimeFormatInfo**  object apply to both CSV files used for input, and CSV files used for output. If an attempt is made to read date/time values that do not match the desired format, the data values are set to invalid date/time values.

You can also modify a point at a time using **SetEvent.**  If you need to add new points to the dataset, increasing its size, use one of the **AddEvent**, or **InsertEvent** methods. Delete data points using the **DeleteEvent** method. In order to see the modified dataset, force the graph to redraw using **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method.

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**Example of creating a simple event datasets, extracted from the ChartEventExamples.SimpleEventChart example program.**

[C#]

```
int nnumpnts = 10;
ChartCalendar[] x1 = new ChartCalendar[nnumpnts];
double[] y1 = new double[nnumpnts];
ChartCalendar currentdate = new ChartCalendar(1998, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1);
ChartEvent[] chartevents = new ChartEvent[nnumpnts];

int i;

double startx = 1;
for (i = 0; i < nnumpnts; i++)
{
  if (i == 0)
  {
    y1[0] = 100;
    x1[0] = (ChartCalendar)currentdate.Clone();
    chartevents[0] = new ChartEvent(x1[0], startx, y1[0]);
    chartevents[0].AxisLabel = "XY" + "0";
    currentdate.Add(ChartObj.MONTH, 12);
  }
  else
  {
    x1[i] = (ChartCalendar)currentdate.Clone();
    y1[i] += y1[i - 1] + 25 * (0.55 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble());
    chartevents[i] = new ChartEvent(x1[i], i + startx, y1[i]);
    chartevents[i].AxisLabel = "XY" + i.ToString();
    currentdate.Add(ChartObj.MONTH, 12);
  }
```

```
 }

 theFont = new Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 10, FontStyle.Bold);

 EventSimpleDataset Dataset1 = new EventSimpleDataset("Actual Sales",
chartevents);
 EventCoordinates pTransform1 = new EventCoordinates(Dataset1);
```
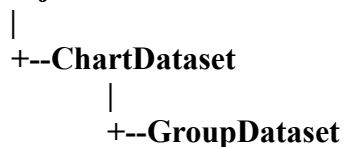
[Visual Basic]

```
Dim nnumpnts As Integer = 20
Dim x1 As ChartCalendar() = New ChartCalendar(nnumpnts - 1) {}
Dim y1 As Double() = New Double(nnumpnts - 1) {}
Dim currentdate As New ChartCalendar(1998, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1)
Dim chartevents As ChartEvent() = New ChartEvent(nnumpnts - 1) {}

Dim i As Integer

Dim startx As Double = 1
  For i = 0 To nnumpnts - 1
    If i = 0 Then
        y1(0) = 100
        x1(0) = DirectCast(currentdate.Clone(), ChartCalendar)
        chartevents(0) = New ChartEvent(x1(0), startx, y1(0))
        chartevents(0).AxisLabel = "XY" & "0"
        currentdate.Add(ChartObj.MONTH, 12)
    Else
        x1(i) = DirectCast(currentdate.Clone(), ChartCalendar)
        y1(i) += y1(i - 1) + 25 * (0.55 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble())
        chartevents(i) = New ChartEvent(x1(i), i + startx, y1(i))
        chartevents(i).AxisLabel = "XY" & i.ToString()
        currentdate.Add(ChartObj.MONTH, 12)
    End If
Next

theFont = New Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 10, FontStyle.Bold)

Dim Dataset1 As New EventSimpleDataset("Actual Sales", chartevents)
Dim pTransform1 As New EventCoordinates(Dataset1)
```

# Numeric Group Dataset

## Class GroupDataset
**ChartObj**
```
      |
     +--ChartDataset
            |
           +--GroupDataset
```

The **GroupDataset** class represents group data, where every x-value can have one or more y-values. The number of x-values in a group plot is referred to as the number of columns or as **numberDatapoints** and the number of y-values *for each x-value* is referred to as the number of rows, or **numberGroups**. Think of spreadsheet file that looks like

| x-values | x[0] | x[1] | x[2] | x[3] | x[4] | x[5] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| y-values group #0 | y[0,0] | y[0,1] | y[0,2] | y[0,3] | y[0,4] | y[0,5] |
| y-values group #1 | y[1,0] | y[1,1] | y[1,2] | y[1,3] | y[1,4] | y[1,5] |
| y-values group #2 | y[2,0] | y[2,1] | y[2,2] | y[2,3] | y[2,4] | y[2,5] |

number of x-values = **numberDatapoints** = numberColumns = 6

number of y-values for each x-value = **numberGroups** = numberRows = 3

This would be the ROW_MAJOR format if the data were stored in a CSV file.

## GroupDataset constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal sname As String, _
   ByVal x As Double(), _
   ByVal y As Double(,) _
)
[C#]
public GroupDataset(
   string sname,
   double[] x,
   double[,] y
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *sname* | Specifies the name of the dataset. |
| *x* | An array that specifies the x-values of a group dataset. The length of the x array sets the number of columns for the group dataset. |
| *y* | An array that specifies the y-values of a group dataset where y has the dimensions [number of rows, number of columns]. The number of rows in the y-array sets the number of groups in the group dataset. The number of columns in the y-array must match the length of the x-array. |

The number of columns in the group dataset is the value of x.Length property. The number of columns in the y array must match the length of the x array and every element must be initialized to a valid value. All values in the arrays are plotted. If the data is outside of the current chart scale the values will be clipped.

The next constructor creates a dataset using the x- and y-values stored in a file that uses the CSV (Comma Separated Value) format. There are two ways to organize the numeric

values in the data file. If you use the COLUMN_MAJOR format, the first column represents the x-values and subsequent columns represent the y-values, where each column is a group. If you use the ROW_MAJOR format, the first row represents the x-values and subsequent rows represent the y-values, where each row is a group. Use the **CSV.SetOrientation** method to initialize the csv argument for the proper data orientation.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal csv As CSV, _
   ByVal filename As String, _
   ByVal rowskip As Integer, _
   ByVal columnskip As Integer _
)
[C#]
public GroupDataset(
   CSV csv,
   string filename,
   int rowskip,
   int columnskip
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *csv* | An instance of a **CSV** object. |
| *filename* | The name of the file. |
| *rowskip* | Skip this many rows before starting the read operation. |
| *columnskip* | For each row of data, skip this many columns before reading the first value from the row. |

You can retrieve references to the internal arrays used to store the data using the **GroupDataset** methods **GetXData** and **GetGroupData**. Change the values in the data arrays using these references. You can also modify a point at a time using one of the **SetYDataValue** and **SetXDataValue** methods. If you need to add new points to dataset, increasing its size, use one of the **AddGroupDataPoints**, or **InsertGroupDataPoints** methods. Delete data points using the **DeleteDataPoint** method. In order to see the modified dataset, force the graph to redraw using **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method.

**Example of creating a group datasets from numeric arrays**

[C#]

```
double []x1=  {10,20,30,40,50};
double [,]y1 = {{ 9,-21, 20,40,30},
               { 55,15,35,10,56},
               {15,25,15,30,40}};
GroupDataset Dataset11 = new GroupDataset("First",x1, y1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim x1() As Double = {10, 20, 30, 40, 50}
Dim y1(,) As Double = {{9, -21, 20, 40, 30}, _
                       {55, 15, 35, 10, 56}, _
                       {15, 25, 15, 30, 40}}
Dim Dataset1 As GroupDataset = New GroupDataset("First", x1, y1)
```

**Example of creating a group datasets from a CSV file**

[C#]

```
CSV csvDataFile = new CSV();
GroupDataset Dataset1 =
       new GroupDataset(csvDataFile,"GroupDataset.csv",0,0);
// Write out dataset as a CSV file under a different file name
Dataset1.WriteGroupDataset (csvDataFile,"GroupDataset2.csv");
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim csvDataFile As CSV = New CSV()
Dim Dataset1 As GroupDataset = _
         New GroupDataset(csvDataFile, "GroupDataset.csv", 0, 0)
 ' Write out dataset as a CSV file under a different file name
Dataset1.WriteGroupDataset(csvDataFile, "GroupDataset2.csv")
```

# Date/Time Group Dataset

## Class TimeGroupDataset
**ChartObj**
```
     |
    +--ChartDataset
          |
         +--GroupDataset
               |
              +-TimeGroupDataset
```
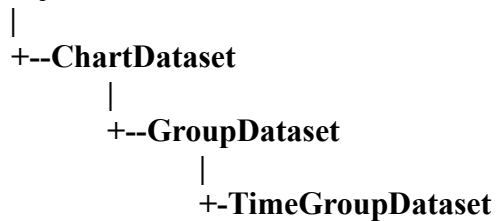
The **TimeGroupDataset** uses **ChartCalendar** dates as the x-values, and floating point numbers as the y-values. **ChartCalendar** values are actually stored internally as their equivalent millisecond values. The **TimeGroupDataset** class adds a large number of methods to the **GroupDataset** class that make it easy to create and modify datasets that use **ChartCalendar** values.

*Note* - Do **not** use the **TimeGroupDataset** if you want to display data using the elapsed time. The **TimeGroupDataset** uses a full GregorianCalendar date/time and it is not suitable for the display of elapsed time, since time intervals do not have an explicit date, i.e. 10/11/2008. Use the **ElapsedTimeGroupDataset** class, in combination with an **ElapsedTimeCoordinateSystem**, if you plan to create an elapsed time chart.

This constructor creates a new group **TimeGroupDataset** object where the x-values are **ChartCalendar** values and the y-values are floating point numbers.

**TimeGroupDataset constructors**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal sname As String, _
   ByVal x As ChartCalendar(), _
   ByVal y As Double(,) _
)
[C#]
public TimeGroupDataset(
   string sname,
   ChartCalendar[] x,
   double[,] y
);
```

*sname*          Specifies the name of the dataset.

*x*              An array of **ChartCalendar** dates, that specifies the x-values of a dataset. The length of the x array sets the number of columns for the group dataset.

*y*              An array that specifies the y-values of a group dataset where y has the dimensions [number of rows, number of columns]. The number of rows in the y-array sets the number of groups in the group dataset. The number of columns in the y-array must match the length of the x-array.

The number of columns in the group dataset is the value of x.Length property. The number of columns in the y array must match the length of the x array and every element must be initialized to a valid value. All values in the arrays are plotted. If the data is outside of the current chart scale the values will be clipped.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal csv As CSV, _
   ByVal filename As String, _
   ByVal rowskip As Integer, _
   ByVal columnskip As Integer _
)
[C#]
public TimeGroupDataset(
   CSV csv,
   string filename,
   int rowskip,
   int columnskip
);
```

*csv*            An instance of a **CSV** object.

*filename*       The name of the file.

*rowskip*        Skip this many rows before starting the read operation.

*columnskip*                For each row of data, skip this many columns before reading the

There are two ways to organize the numeric values in the data file. If you use the COLUMN_MAJOR format, the first column represents the time values and subsequent columns represent the y-values, where each column is a group. If you use the ROW_MAJOR format, the first row represents the time values and subsequent rows represent the y-values, where each row is a group. Use the **CSV.SetOrientation** method to initialize the csv argument for the proper data orientation.

A **DateTimeFormatInfo** object, and a date time format string, in the **CSV** class, control the interpretation of the **ChartCalendar** values. The format in the file must match the format specified for the **CSV** class. The underlying conversion mechanism calls the **DateTime.ToString(String formatstring, DateTimeFormatInfo info)** method for the conversion. The default format for the date time *formatstring* object is "M/dd/yy". Call the **SetDateTimeFomatString** method to change the default date time format. See the documentation for the .Net **DateTime.ToString** method to figure out the various formatting options for the date time format string. If you are into internationalization (and difficult to understand .Net documentation), you can also create your own **DateTimeFormatInfo** object**,** installing it in the **CSV** object using **CSV.SetTimeDateFormat** method**.** The date time format string and the **DateTimeFormatInfo** object apply to both CSV files used for input, and CSV files used for output. If an attempt is made to read date/time values that do not match the desired format, the data values are set to invalid date/time values.

You can retrieve a *copy* of the date time data using the **TimeGroupDataset.GetTimeXData** method. It returns an array of **ChartCalendar** objects, and it is *not* a reference to the underlying data. The underlying data is stored as double values that represent the millisecond equivalent of the date time values. The **TimeGroupDataset GetXData** and **GetYData** methods return references to the underlying data**.** You can also modify a point at a time using one of the **TimeGroupDataset, SetTimeXDataValue** and **SetYDataValue** methods. If you need to add new points to dataset, increasing its size, use one of the **AddTimeGroupDataPoints**, or **InsertTimeGroupDataPoints** methods. Delete data points using the **DeleteDataPoint** method. In order to see the modified dataset, force the graph to redraw using **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method.

**Example of creating a group time datasets**

[C#]

```csharp
int nNumPnts = 50, nNumGroups = 4;
int weekmode = ChartObj.WEEK_5D;
ChartCalendar []xValues=  new ChartCalendar[nNumPnts];
double [,]stockPriceData = new double[nNumGroups,nNumPnts];
```

```
double minval=0.0, maxval = 0.0;
int i;

ChartCalendar currentdate = new ChartCalendar();
ChartCalendar.SetTOD(currentdate,0,0,1);
currentdate = ChartCalendar.CalendarDaysAdd(currentdate, 1, weekmode);
    // Make sure not to start on a weekend
xValues[0] = (ChartCalendar) currentdate.Clone();
currentdate = ChartCalendar.CalendarDaysAdd(currentdate, 1, weekmode);
stockPriceData[3,0]  = 25;  // close
stockPriceData[0,0] = 25;   // open
stockPriceData[1,0] = 26;   // high
stockPriceData[2,0] = 24;   // low

for (i=1; i < nNumPnts; i++)
{
    xValues[i] = (ChartCalendar) currentdate.Clone();
    stockPriceData[3,i] += stockPriceData[3,i-1] +
      3 * (0.52 -   ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()); // close
   stockPriceData[0,i] += stockPriceData[3,i] +
      2 * (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()); // open
  minval = Math.Min(stockPriceData[3,i], stockPriceData[0,i]);
  maxval = Math.Max(stockPriceData[3,i], stockPriceData[0,i]);
  stockPriceData[1,i] = maxval + 1.5 * ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble();  // high
  stockPriceData[2,i] = minval - 1.5 * ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble();  // low
  currentdate = ChartCalendar.CalendarDaysAdd(currentdate, 1, weekmode);
}
TimeGroupDataset Dataset1 = new
        TimeGroupDataset("Stock Data",xValues,stockPriceData);
TimeGroupDataset Dataset1 = new
        TimeGroupDataset("Stock Data",xValues,stockPriceData);
```

## [Visual Basic]

```
Dim nNumPnts As Integer = 50
Dim nNumGroups As Integer = 4
Dim weekmode As Integer = ChartObj.WEEK_5D
Dim xValues(nNumPnts - 1) As ChartCalendar
Dim stockPriceData(nNumGroups - 1, nNumPnts - 1) As Double
Dim minval As Double = 0.0
Dim maxval As Double = 0.0
Dim i As Integer
Dim currentdate As New ChartCalendar()
' Make sure not to start on a weekend
currentdate = ChartCalendar.CalendarDaysAdd(currentdate, 1, weekmode)
xValues(0) = currentdate.Clone()
currentdate = ChartCalendar.CalendarDaysAdd(currentdate, 1, weekmode)
stockPriceData(3, 0) = 25 ' close
stockPriceData(0, 0) = 25 ' open
stockPriceData(1, 0) = 26 ' high
stockPriceData(2, 0) = 24 ' low
For i = 1 To nNumPnts - 1
  xValues(i) = currentdate.Clone()
  stockPriceData(3, i) += stockPriceData(3, i - 1) + _
                    3 * (0.52 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()) ' close
  stockPriceData(0, i) += stockPriceData(3, i) + _
                    2 * (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()) ' open
  minval = Math.Min(stockPriceData(3, i), stockPriceData(0, i))
  maxval = Math.Max(stockPriceData(3, i), stockPriceData(0, i))
  stockPriceData(1, i) = maxval + 1.5 * ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble() ' high
  stockPriceData(2, i) = minval - 1.5 * ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble() ' low
  currentdate = ChartCalendar.CalendarDaysAdd(currentdate, 1, weekmode)
Next i

Dim Dataset1 As New TimeGroupDataset("Stock Data", xValues, stockPriceData)
```

**Example of creating a simple time datasets from a CSV file**

[C#]

```
CSV csvDataFile = new CSV();

TimeGroupDataset Dataset1 =
        new TimeGroupDataset(csvDataFile,"TimeGroupDataset.csv",0,0);
// Write out dataset as a CSV file under a different file name
Dataset1.WriteTimeGroupDataset (csvDataFile,"TimeGroupDataset2.csv");
```

[Visual Basic]

```
'Default time date format is "M/dd/yyyy"
Dim csvDataFile As CSV = New CSV()

'Create a dataset based on a previously saved csv file
Dim Dataset1 As TimeGroupDataset = _
        New TimeGroupDataset (csvDataFile, "TimeGroupDataset.csv", 0, 0)

'Write out dataset as a CVS file
Dataset1. WriteTimeGroupDataset (csvDataFile, " TimeGroupDataset1.csv")
' Read it back in just as a test
Dataset1.ReadTimeGroupDataset(csvDataFile, " TimeGroupDataset1.csv", 0, 0)
```
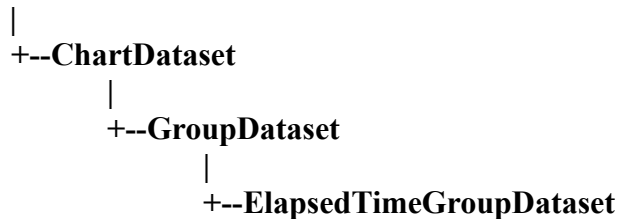
# Elapsed Time Dataset

## Class ElapsedTimeGroupDataset
**ChartObj**
```
        |
        +--ChartDataset
               |
               +--GroupDataset
                      |
                      +--ElapsedTimeGroupDataset
```

The **ElapsedTimeGroupDataset** class represents group data, where every x-value can have one or more y-values. The number of x-values in a group plot is referred to as the number of columns or as **numberDatapoints** and the number of y-values *for each x-value* is referred to as the number of rows, or **numberGroups**.

**ElapsedTimeGroupDataset constructors**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal sname As String, _
   ByVal x As TimeSpan(), _
   ByVal y As Double(,) _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal sname As String, _
   ByVal x As _Double_ (), _
   ByVal y As Double(,) _
)
[C#]
public ElapsedTimeGroupDataset(
   string sname,
   TimeSpan[] x,
   double[,] y
);

public ElapsedTimeGroupDataset(
   string sname,
   double [] x,
   double[,] y
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *sname* | Specifies the name of the dataset. |
| *x* | An array that specifies the x-values of a group dataset. The length of the x array sets the number of columns for the group dataset. |
| *y* | An array that specifies the y-values of a group dataset where y has the dimensions [number of rows, number of columns]. The number of rows in the y-array sets the number of groups in the group dataset. The number of columns in the y-array must match the length of the x-array. |

The number of columns in the group dataset is the value of x.Length property. The number of columns in the y array must match the length of the x array and every element must be initialized to a valid value. All values in the arrays are plotted. If the data is outside of the current chart scale the values will be clipped.

The next constructor creates a dataset using the x- and y-values stored in a file that uses the CSV (Comma Separated Value) format. There are two ways to organize the numeric values in the data file. If you use the COLUMN_MAJOR format, the first column represents the x-values and subsequent columns represent the y-values, where each column is a group. If you use the ROW_MAJOR format, the first row represents the x-values and subsequent rows represent the y-values, where each row is a group. Use the **CSV.SetOrientation** method to initialize the csv argument for the proper data orientation.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal csv As CSV, _
   ByVal filename As String, _
   ByVal rowskip As Integer, _
   ByVal columnskip As Integer _
)
[C#]
public ElapsedTimeGroupDataset(
   CSV csv,
   string filename,
   int rowskip,
   int columnskip
);
```

*csv*              An instance of a **CSV** object.

*filename*         The name of the file.

*rowskip*          Skip this many rows before starting the read operation.

*columnskip*       For each row of data, skip this many columns before reading the first value from the row.

The only supported format for elapsed time values in a CSV file is d.hh.mm.ss.fff, (3.14:23:12.333 as an example of an elapsed time of three days, 14 hours, 23 minutes, 12 seconds and 333 milliseconds).

You can also modify a point at a time using **SetElapsedTimeXDataValue** (or **SetElapsedTimeYDataValue**) if you are using **TimeSpan** objects**,** and **SetYDataValue** or **SetXDataValue**) if you use millisecond values. If you need to add new points to the dataset, increasing its size, use one of the **AddDataPoint**, or **InsertDataPoint** methods. Delete data points using the **DeleteDataPoint** method. In order to see the modified dataset, force the graph to redraw using **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method.

**Example of creating a group datasets from numeric arrays**

[C#]

```
int nNumPnts = 5, nNumGroups = 4;
TimeSpan[] xValues = new TimeSpan[nNumPnts];
double[,] groupBarData = new double[nNumGroups, nNumPnts];

xValues[0] = TimeSpan.FromMinutes(1);
groupBarData[0, 0] = 6.3; groupBarData[1, 0] = 3.1;
groupBarData[2, 0] = 2.2; groupBarData[3, 0] = 1.8;

xValues[1] = TimeSpan.FromMinutes(2);
groupBarData[0, 1] = 5.8; groupBarData[1, 1] = 4.3;
groupBarData[2, 1] = 2.8; groupBarData[3, 1] = 1.5;

xValues[2] = TimeSpan.FromMinutes(3);
groupBarData[0, 2] = 5.5; groupBarData[1, 2] = 4.5;
groupBarData[2, 2] = 2.5; groupBarData[3, 2] = 2.1;
```

```
xValues[3] = TimeSpan.FromMinutes(4);
groupBarData[0, 3] = 4.1; groupBarData[1, 3] = 5.4;
groupBarData[2, 3] = 4.1; groupBarData[3, 3] = 3.2;

xValues[4] = TimeSpan.FromMinutes(5);
groupBarData[0, 4] = 3.8; groupBarData[1, 4] = 5.6;
groupBarData[2, 4] = 4.3; groupBarData[3, 4] = 3.3;

ElapsedTimeGroupDataset Dataset1 =
    new ElapsedTimeGroupDataset("ElapsedTimeGroupData", xValues, groupBarData);
```

[VB]

```
Dim nNumPnts As Integer = 5, nNumGroups As Integer = 4
Dim xValues As TimeSpan() = New TimeSpan(nNumPnts - 1) {}
Dim groupBarData As Double(,) = New Double(nNumGroups - 1, nNumPnts - 1) {}

xValues(0) = TimeSpan.FromMinutes(1)
groupBarData(0, 0) = 6.3
groupBarData(1, 0) = 3.1
groupBarData(2, 0) = 2.2
groupBarData(3, 0) = 1.8

xValues(1) = TimeSpan.FromMinutes(2)
groupBarData(0, 1) = 5.8
groupBarData(1, 1) = 4.3
groupBarData(2, 1) = 2.8
groupBarData(3, 1) = 1.5

xValues(2) = TimeSpan.FromMinutes(3)
groupBarData(0, 2) = 5.5
groupBarData(1, 2) = 4.5
groupBarData(2, 2) = 2.5
groupBarData(3, 2) = 2.1

xValues(3) = TimeSpan.FromMinutes(4)
groupBarData(0, 3) = 4.1
groupBarData(1, 3) = 5.4
groupBarData(2, 3) = 4.1
groupBarData(3, 3) = 3.2

xValues(4) = TimeSpan.FromMinutes(5)
groupBarData(0, 4) = 3.8
groupBarData(1, 4) = 5.6
groupBarData(2, 4) = 4.3
groupBarData(3, 4) = 3.3

Dim Dataset1 As New ElapsedTimeGroupDataset("ElapsedTimeGroupData", xValues,
groupBarData)
```

# Event Group Dataset

## Class EventGroupDataset
**ChartObj**
    |
   **+--ChartDataset**
        |
       **+--GroupDataset**
           |
          **+--EventGroupDataset**
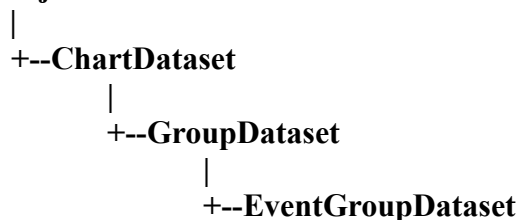
The **EventGroupDataset** class is the group dataset version of EventSimpleDataset. See the background information under the EventSimpleDataset. It is used to supply data to the group plotting classes: OHLC, Candlestick, GroupBar, Stacked Bar, etc..

A ChartEvent can have one or more y-values. In the case of an EventSimpleDataset, usually it will have a single value, as seen in the EventSimpleDataset programming example, one y-value for each x-value. In the EventGroupDataset, each ChartEvent object can have multiple y-values for each x-value, as seen in the programming example below..

### EventGroupDataset constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal sname As String, _
   ByVal ev As ChartEvent()
)

[C#]
public EventGroupDataset(
   string sname,
   ChartEvent [] ev
);
```

*sname*                    Specifies the name of the dataset.

*ev*                       An array of ChartEvent objects.

Create an array of ChartEvent objects, specifying the time-stamp and y-values for each ChartEvent object and use that to initialize a EventSimpleDataset.

The next constructor creates an EventGroupDataset using the x- and y-values stored in a file that uses the CSV (Comma Separated Value) format. Only the COLUMN_MAJOR format is supported, where each row presents a ChartEvent object, and the columns are organized as: description, short description, x-axis string label, tool tip string, position, time stamp, numeric time stamp, y-value index (index for the y-value to use when the ChartEvent contains multiple y-values), and the y-values.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal csv As CSV, _
   ByVal filename As String, _
   ByVal rowskip As Integer, _
   ByVal columnskip As Integer _
)
[C#]
public EventGroupDataset(
   CSV csv,
   string filename,
   int rowskip,
   int columnskip
);
```

| *csv* | An instance of a **CSV** object. |
| *filename* | The name of the file. |
| *rowskip* | Skip this many rows before starting the read operation. |
| *columnskip* | For each row of data, skip this many columns before starting this read operation. |

A **DateTimeFormatInfo** object, and a date time format string, in the **CSV** class, control the interpretation of the **ChartCalendar** values. The format in the file must match the format specified for the **CSV** class. The underlying conversion mechanism calls the **DateTime.ToString(String formatstring, DateTimeFormatInfo info)** method for the conversion. The default format for the date time *formatstring* object is "M/dd/yy". Call the **SetDateTimeFomatString** method to change the default date time format. See the documentation for the .Net **DateTime.ToString** method to figure out the various formatting options for the date time format string. If you are into internationalization (and difficult to understand .Net documentation), you can also create your own **DateTimeFormatInfo** object, installing it in the **CSV** object using **CSV.SetTimeDateFormat** method. The date time format string and the **DateTimeFormatInfo** object apply to both CSV files used for input, and CSV files used for output. If an attempt is made to read date/time values that do not match the desired format, the data values are set to invalid date/time values.

You can also modify a point at a time using **SetEvent.** If you need to add new points to the dataset, increasing its size, use one of the **AddEvent**, or **InsertEvent** methods. Delete data points using the **DeleteEvent** method. In order to see the modified dataset, force the graph to redraw using **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method.

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**Example of creating a simple event datasets, extracted from the ChartEventExamples.CandlestickEventChart example program.**

[C#]

```
double minval = 0.0, maxval = 0.0;
int incrementbase = ChartObj.MINUTE;
int increment = 10;
ChartCalendar currentdate = new ChartCalendar();
ChartEvent[] eventArray = new ChartEvent[nNumPnts];

ChartEvent currentEvent = new ChartEvent();
for (i = 0; i < nNumPnts; i++)
{
    double position = i + 1;
    if (i == 0)
```

```
    {
       currentdate = ChartCalendar.CalendarDaysAdd(currentdate, 1, weekmode);
       currentdate.SetTOD(9, 33, 0);
       xValues[0] = (ChartCalendar)currentdate.Clone();
       currentdate = ChartCalendar.CalendarDaysAdd(currentdate, 1, weekmode);
       stockPriceData[3] = 25;  // close
       stockPriceData[0] = 25;   // open
       stockPriceData[1] = 26;   // high
       stockPriceData[2] = 24;   // low
       currentEvent = new ChartEvent(xValues[0], 1, stockPriceData);
       currentEvent.AxisLabel = "XXX" + "1";
       eventArray[0] = currentEvent;
    }
    else
    {
       xValues[i] = (ChartCalendar)currentdate.Clone();
       stockPriceData[3] += 2 * (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()); // close
       stockPriceData[0] += 2 * (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()); // open
       minval = Math.Min(stockPriceData[3], stockPriceData[0]);
       maxval = Math.Max(stockPriceData[3], stockPriceData[0]);
       stockPriceData[1] = maxval + 1.5 * ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble();  // high
       stockPriceData[2] = minval - 1.5 * ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble();  // low
       currentdate.Add(incrementbase, increment);
       if (currentdate.Get(ChartObj.HOUR_OF_DAY) >= 16)
       {
           currentdate.Add(ChartObj.DAY_OF_YEAR, 1);
           currentdate.SetTOD(9, 30, 0);
       }


       currentEvent = new ChartEvent(xValues[i], position, stockPriceData);
       currentEvent.AxisLabel = "XXX" + position.ToString();
       currentEvent.ToolTip = "ToolTip" + position.ToString();
       eventArray[i] = currentEvent;
    }
}

EventGroupDataset Dataset1 = new EventGroupDataset("Stock Data", eventArray, 4);
EventSimpleDataset Dataset2 = Dataset1.ConvertToEventSimpleDataset(1);

EventCoordinates pTransform1 = new EventCoordinates(Dataset1);
```

## [VB]

```
Dim minval As Double = 0.0, maxval As Double = 0.0
Dim incrementbase As Integer = ChartObj.MINUTE
Dim increment As Integer = 10
Dim currentdate As New ChartCalendar()
Dim eventArray As ChartEvent() = New ChartEvent(nNumPnts - 1) {}
stockPriceData(3) = 25.5
' close
stockPriceData(0) = 24.5
' open
stockPriceData(1) = 26
' high
stockPriceData(2) = 24
' low
Dim currentEvent As New ChartEvent()
currentdate = ChartCalendar.CalendarDaysAdd(currentdate, 1, weekmode)
currentdate.SetTOD(9, 33, 0)
For i = 0 To nNumPnts - 1
    Dim position As Double = i + 1
    xValues(i) = DirectCast(currentdate.Clone(), ChartCalendar)
    If i > 0 Then
        stockPriceData(3) += 2 * (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble())
        ' close
        stockPriceData(0) += 2 * (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble())
        ' open
```

```
        minval = Math.Min(stockPriceData(3), stockPriceData(0))
        maxval = Math.Max(stockPriceData(3), stockPriceData(0))
        stockPriceData(1) = maxval + 1.5 * ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()
        ' high
        ' low
        stockPriceData(2) = minval - 1.5 * ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()
    End If

    currentEvent = New ChartEvent(xValues(i), position, stockPriceData)
    currentEvent.AxisLabel = "XXX" & position.ToString()
    currentEvent.ToolTip = "ToolTip" & position.ToString()
    eventArray(i) = currentEvent

    currentdate.Add(incrementbase, increment)
    If currentdate.[Get](ChartObj.HOUR_OF_DAY) >= 16 Then
        currentdate.Add(ChartObj.DAY_OF_YEAR, 1)
        currentdate.SetTOD(9, 30, 0)
    End If
Next

Dim Dataset1 As New EventGroupDataset("Stock Data", eventArray, 4)
Dim Dataset2 As EventSimpleDataset = Dataset1.ConvertToEventSimpleDataset(1)

Dim pTransform1 As New EventCoordinates(Dataset1)
```

# 4. Scaling and Coordinate Systems

**ChartScale**
      **LinearScale**
      **LogScale**
      **TimeScale**
      **ElapsedTimeScale**
      **EventScale**
**UserCoordinates**
      **WorldCoordinates**
            **WorkingCoordinates**
                  **PhysicalCoordinates**
                        **CartesianCoordinates**
                              **PolarCoordinates**
                              **AntennaCoordinates**
                              **EventCoordinates**
                        **TimeCoordinates**
                        **ElapsedTimeCoordinates**

The starting point for all drawing in a window is the .Net 2D device coordinate system. The coordinate system uses a default device resolution of the underlying .Net window, regardless of the output device. A .Net window maintains a viewport for the client area of the window, controlling the position and size of the drawing area in the window. Graphics output is clipped to the viewport, preventing graphics output in one window from over-writing graphics in another window. The user coordinate system for the window starts at (0,0) in the upper left corner and extends in the positive direction down and to the right.

## Plot area and graph area

The *plot area* of a graph is the area where the plot data objects (line plots, bar plots, etc.) are drawn. The *graph area* is the entire area of the chart window. The graph area includes the plot area as a subset.  Usually, the plot area is smaller than the graph area and resides roughly centered in the graph area. The border around the plot area is sized large enough to display the axis tick mark labels, axis titles, legends, chart titles, footers, and any other object in the graph. Create a physical coordinate system for a chart, and you are setting the minimum and maximum values for the x and y dimensions of the plot area.

Most chart objects require access to the chart coordinate system for proper positioning in the chart window. Some chart objects, axis objects in particular, often reside on the edge or outside of the plot area. Important parts of the axis, the tick marks and tick mark labels, are usually outside of the plot area. The tick marks and tick mark labels must align perfectly with the coordinate system inside the plot area.

There are many different techniques to align the coordinate system inside the plot area with the coordinate system used in drawing chart objects outside of the plot area. One technique is to maintain the physical coordinate system inside the plot area, and use a normalized coordinate system for the graph area. Whenever a chart object in the graph area, a y-axis tick mark for example, needs to be aligned with the coordinate system inside the plot area, the software converts the tick mark placement value from physical coordinates to normalized coordinates using standardized coordinate conversion routines. The drawback of this technique is what I will call the "odd pixel problem". The odd pixel problem shows up when you try map physical, normalized and user coordinate systems based on floating point numbers onto a pixel coordinate system using an integer coordinate system. Unless the corners of the plot area fall on exact pixel boundaries, converting from plot area coordinates to graph area coordinates, once translated to pixels, can be up to one pixel off.

The alternative technique, used in this software library, is to use a single coordinate system. The physical coordinate system defined for the plot area is extended in all four directions – left, right, top and bottom. It is extended so that the physical coordinates of the four corners of the plot area remain unchanged. The four corners of the graph area are assigned calculated, physical coordinate values so that when it is overlaid on to the plot area there is an exact 1:1 correspondence for all points inside the plot area. Once this calculation is made, there is no need to use the physical coordinate system assigned to the plot area. Instead, the physical coordinate system of the graph area is used instead. Chart axes objects and plotted data always align because they are plotted using the exact same physical coordinate system. The only difference is that plotted data is clipped to the plot area while axes objects are not clipped.

For example, assume a graph area with the dimensions of 400x400 units, and a plot area with the dimensions 200x200 centered inside the graph area. This implies that there is a 100 unit boundary around all four sides of the plot area. The desired chart uses a physical coordinate system of (0, 0,100,100). These coordinates apply to the plot area. Instead of using the plot area coordinate system, the coordinate system (-50,-50,150,150) is calculated and used to scale the graph area. This does not guarantee that any point plotted in plot area coordinate system will always map to the exact same pixel as the same point plotted in the graph coordinate system, the odd pixel problem still exists. We avoid the odd pixel problem by never plotting points using the plot area coordinate system, using only the graph area coordinate system instead. The calculated physical coordinate system applied to the graph area is referred to as the *working* coordinate system.

## Coordinate Systems

A **QCChart2D for .***Net* library uses other coordinate systems mapped onto the default .Net device coordinate system. These other coordinate systems include world coordinates, working coordinates, and physical coordinates.

## User Coordinates

The **UserCoordinates** class manages a simple viewport drawing system using the .Net System.Drawing classes.

## World Coordinates

The **WorldCoordinates** class maps a linear, double based, coordinate system onto the integer based user coordinate system of the **UserCoordinates** class. Where the underlying user coordinate system may have an integer range (for example 0-400, 0-300 units), the world coordinate system is able to map this to a completely arbitrary, double based, linear range (for example (0.0 to 10.0, 0.0 to 10.0) . The world coordinate system applies to the entire graph window, and not just the plot area.

## Working Coordinates

The **WorkingCoordinates** class manages a working coordinate system that maps the physical coordinate system of the plot area into a linear, world coordinate system applied to the whole viewport. For example, if the desired chart plot area uses a physical coordinate system of (0.0, 0.0, 100.0, 100.0) and the plot area is centered in the graph area  with the plot area ½ the width and height of the graph area, then the coordinate system (-50, -50, 150, 150) is calculated and used to scale the graph area. The **WorkingCoordinates** class uses the underlying **WorldCoordinates** class to scale the viewport to the final world coordinates scale.

## Physical Coordinates

The **PhysicalCoordinates** abstract class is responsible for mapping the plot area coordinate system (whether it is linear, logarithmic, date/time, polar, antenna, continuous or discontinuous) into a continuous linear coordinate system. It uses the **WorkingCoordinates** class to map this plot area coordinate system to the entire viewport. The **PhysicalCoordinates** system uses independent scale objects, derived from **ChartScale**, to manage coordinate conversions for the x- and y-dimensions. This way the x-coordinate can use one coordinate conversion object (**LinearScale**, **LogScale**, **TimeScale**) and the y-coordinate another.

There are six concrete implementations of the **PhysicalCoordinates** class: **CartesianCoordinates**, **TimeCoordinates**, **ElapsedTimeCoordinates**, **EventCoordinates**, **PolarCoordinates** and **AntennaCoordinates**. Use the **CartesianCoordinates** class for any combination of linear and logarithmic scaling for the x- and y-coordinate. Use the **TimeCoordinates** class when you want a time/date scale for the x-coordinate and a linear or logarithmic scale for the y-coordinate. Use the **EventCoordinates** if you have discontinuous, or irregular, time, suchs as that found in worldwide financial markets. Use the **ElapsedTimeCoordinates** class when you want a elapsed time scale (no date information) for the x-coordinate and a linear or logarithmic scale for the y-coordinate. Use the **PolarCoordinates** for polar coordinates where the magnitude coordinate is linear and the polar angle coordinate extends from 0 to 360 degrees (or 0 to 2*pi radians) counter-clockwise, starting at 3:00. Use the

**AntennaCoordinates** for antenna coordinates where the radius value is linear and the angle coordinate extends from 0 to 360 degrees clockwise, starting at 12:00.

## Normalized coordinates

Normalized coordinates are a special case of linear physical coordinates, where the linear physical scale (0.0 - 1.0, 0.0 – 1.0) is applied to either the graph area, or the plot area of the chart. *Graph normalized coordinates* maps the upper left corner of the graph window to the xy coordinates (0.0,0.0) and the lower right corner of the graph area to the xy coordinate (1.0,1.0). *Plot normalized coordinates* maps the upper left corner of the plot area to the xy coordinates (0.0,0.0) and the lower right corner of the plot area to the xy coordinates (1.0,1.0).

# Chart Scaling and the .Net Drawing2D.Matrix

The **System.Drawing.Drawing2D.Matrix** class can handle a large number of scaling operations, including linear operations that look at first glance capable of transforming chart physical coordinates to .Net device coordinates. Why not use the **Drawing2D.Matrix** class?

There are at least four reasons. First, the **Drawing2D.Matrix** class not only scales the endpoints of lines, which is what we want, it also has the unwanted side effect of scaling the thickness of lines. It is important that the thickness of lines remain unchanged, regardless of the desired physical coordinate system. Second, the **Drawing2D.Matrix** transform does not handle logarithmic scaling, needed for physical coordinate systems that use logarithmic or semi-logarithmic scaling. Third, the **Drawing2D.Matrix** class does not support discontinuous scales as needed date/time scale and coordinate classes. Fourth and last, a point transformed using a **Drawing2D.Matrix** undergoes a time consuming, relatively complicated matrix math calculation involving a 3x3 matrix. For these reasons, the coordinate conversion routines do not use the **Drawing2D.Matrix** class. Other chart classes use the **Drawing2D.Matrix** class for scaling and rotation of graph objects such as shapes, images, and text.

A copy of a concrete instance of the **PhysicalCoordinates** class is stored in every **GraphObj** derived object. This includes all axes, plot objects, text objects and data markers. When a chart object draws itself, it uses the viewport and the physical coordinate system stored in its instance of a **PhysicalCoordinates** class. A chart can have one or more instances of the **PhysicalCoordinates** since a single chart can plot data against one or more physical coordinate systems.

# Important numeric considerations

## Value limiting

A chart should be scaleable to any numeric range that a user wants to plot. This incorporates the entire range of floating point numbers support under .Net. A range of +-$10^{-30}$ is just as valid as a range of +-$10^{30}$, even though there is 60 orders of

magnitude of difference. A user can attempt to plot data with an extremely large dynamic range (the +-10^30 range) in a chart scaled for an extremely small range (the +-10^-30 range). The resulting user coordinate values resulting from such an extreme case can easily exceed the numeric range supported by the plotting functions.

### Bad value checking

Invalid data often finds its way into chart. Invalid data can take many different forms. The most obvious is the introduction of numeric values that do not fit the .Net floating point format. These types of numbers are often found in databases and representing non-initialized or improperly initialized data. .Net cannot include an invalid floating point number in a calculation, so it is best to try and avoid them. Another type of invalid data is data that is a valid floating point number, but is never less considered invalid by the user. Often when data is outside of a predetermined range, it is invalid. Mark a data value in a dataset invalid using the **ChartDataset.SetValidData** method. If a data value equals Double.MAX_VALUE, it is also considered invalid.

### Taking the logarithm of 0 or a negative number

If a charting package is capable of logarithmic and semi-logarithmic plotting, it must be protected against the error condition of taking the log of any number <= 0.0. This often happens when a chart is initially setup with a linear scale, with a minimum physical coordinate value of 0.0 and a maximum coordinate value equal to some large number. The user changes to a logarithmic scale, but forgets to change the minimum coordinate value of the scale from 0.0 to some positive non-zero number. The coordinate conversion routines will halt the first time the log(0.0) is in a calculation. The same is also true if the minimum coordinate value is any negative number. This software always checks for this condition and changes the minimum coordinate value using the following criteria. If the minimum coordinate value for a logarithmic scale is less than or equal to 0.0 it is assumed that the user made an error and coordinate value is set to 1.0. If the minimum coordinate value is greater than 0.0 but less than the value of MIN_LOG_VALUE, the minimum coordinate value is set to MIN_LOG_VALUE.

## Positioning the Plot Area in Graph Area

The **WorkingCoordinates** class has a group of methods - **SetGraphBorderFrame**, **SetGraphBorderDiagonal**, and **SetGraphBorderInsets** - that position the plot area of the chart in the graph viewport. Since the coordinate system scaling classes are subclasses of **WorkingCoordinates**, these methods are part of those classes. These methods are redundant and only one need be called. The default position of the plot area in the graph view port is at x = 0.2, y= 0.2, width = 0.6, height = 0.6, specified using graph normalized coordinates.

This method initializes the position and size of the plot area inside the graph area, specified using a rectangle to specify graph normalized coordinates.

**SetGraphBorder methods**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetGraphBorderFrame( _
   ByVal border As Rectangle2D _
)
[C#]
public void SetGraphBorderFrame(
   Rectangle2D border
);
```

*border* Specifies the rectangle defining the plot area border.

This method initializes the position and size of the plot area inside the graph area, specified using graph normalized position and size values.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetGraphBorderFrame( _
   ByVal rLeft As Double, _
   ByVal rTop As Double, _
   ByVal width As Double, _
   ByVal height As Double _
)
[C#]
public void SetGraphBorderFrame(
   double rLeft,
   double rTop,
   double width,
   double height
);
```

where

| | |
|---|---|
| *rLeft* | The left x-position of the plot area inside the graph area specified using graph normalized coordinates. |
| *rTop* | The top y-position of the plot area inside the graph area specified using graph normalized coordinates. |
| *width* | The width of the plot area inside the graph area specified using graph normalized coordinates. |

| | |
|---|---|
| *height* | The height of the plot area inside the graph area specified using graph normalized coordinates. |

This method initializes the size and position of the plot area inside the graph area, specified using graph normalized values for the opposite corners of the region.

```
[Visual Basic]
Public Sub SetGraphBorderDiagonal( _
    ByVal rLeft As Double, _
    ByVal rTop As Double, _
    ByVal rRight As Double, _
    ByVal rBottom As Double _
)
[C#]
public void SetGraphBorderDiagonal(
    double rLeft,
    double rTop,
    double rRight,
    double rBottom
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *rLeft* | The left x-position of the plot area inside the graph area specified using graph normalized coordinates. |
| *rTop* | The top y-position of the plot area inside the graph area specified using graph normalized coordinates. |
| *rRight* | The right x-position of the plot area inside the graph area specified using graph normalized coordinates. |
| *rBottom* | The bottom y-position of the plot area inside the graph area specified using graph normalized coordinates. |

This method initializes the insets of the plot area inside the graph area, specified using graph normalized values.

```
[Visual Basic]
Public Sub SetGraphBorderInsets( _
    ByVal rLeft As Double, _
    ByVal rTop As Double, _
    ByVal rRight As Double, _
```

```
    ByVal rBottom As Double _
)
[C#]
public void SetGraphBorderInsets(
    double rLeft,
    double rTop,
    double rRight,
    double rBottom
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *rLeft* | The left inset of the plot area inside the graph area specified using graph normalized coordinates. |
| *rTop* | The top inset of the plot area inside the graph area specified using graph normalized coordinates. |
| *rRight* | The right inset of the plot area inside the graph area specified using graph normalized coordinates. |
| *rBottom* | The bottom inset of the plot area inside the graph area specified using graph normalized coordinates. |

The following examples all position the plot area of the chart in the upper right quadrant of the graph viewport.

[C#]

```
CartesianCoordinates simpleScale;
simpleScale = new CartesianCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);

// Use ONE of the example below
// Example #1
simpleScale.SetGraphBorderFrame(new Rectangle2D(0.5, 0.0, 0.5, 0.5));

// Example #2
simpleScale.SetGraphBorderFrame(0.5, 0.0, 0.5, 0.5);

// Example #3
simpleScale.SetGraphBorderDiagonal (0.5, 0.0, 1.0, 0.5);

// Example #4
simpleScale.SetGraphBorderInsets (0.5, 0.0, 0.0, 0.5);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xMin As Double = -5
Dim xMax As Double= 15
Dim yMin As Double = 0
Dim yMax As Double =  105
```

```
Dim simpleScale As CartesianCoordinates
simpleScale = New CartesianCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)

' Use ONE of the example below
' Example #1
simpleScale.SetGraphBorderFrame(new Rectangle2D(0.5, 0.0, 0.5, 0.5))

' Example #2
simpleScale.SetGraphBorderFrame(0.5, 0.0, 0.5, 0.5)

' Example #3
simpleScale.SetGraphBorderDiagonal (0.5, 0.0, 1.0, 0.5)

' Example #4
simpleScale.SetGraphBorderInsets (0.5, 0.0, 0.0, 0.5)
```

# Linear and Logarithmic Coordinate Scaling

## Class CartesianCoordinates
**PhysicalCoordinates**
    |
    **+-- CartesianCoordinates**

The **CartesianCoordinates** class scales the chart plot area for a physical coordinate system that uses linear and/or logarithmic scaling.

There are three main ways to scale the plot area:

- Scale the minimum and maximum x- and y- values explicitly

- Use an auto-scale method that calculates appropriate minimum and maximum x- and y-values based on the x- and y-values in one or more datasets
- Use a combination of the first two methods. It is useful to be able to run an auto-scale function, and then change the minimum or maximum value of one or more coordinate endpoints.

## Linear Coordinate Scaling
The default coordinate system for the **CartesianCoordinates** class is linear for both x and y. If you already know the range for x and y for the plot area, you can scale the plot area explicitly.

The example below uses a **CartesianCoordinates** constructor to initialize the coordinates to the proper values.

**CartesianCoordinates constructor with explicit scaling**

[C#]

```
double xMin = -5;
double xMax = 15;
double yMin = 0;
double yMax =  105;

CartesianCoordinates simpleScale;
simpleScale = new CartesianCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xMin As Double = -5
Dim xMax As Double= 15
Dim yMin As Double = 0
Dim yMax As Double =  105

Dim simpleScale As CartesianCoordinates
simpleScale = New CartesianCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)
```

Another technique uses the default constructor and scales the coordinates using the **CartesianCoordinates.SetCoordinateBounds** method.

**Example of explicit scaling of a CartesianCoordinates object using the CartesianCoordinates.SetCoordinateBounds method**

[C#]

```
double xMin = -5;
double xMax = 15;
double yMin = 0;
double yMax =  105;
CartesianCoordinates simpleScale = new CartesianCoordinates();

simpleScale.SetCoordinateBounds(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xMin As Double = -5
Dim xMax As Double= 15
Dim yMin As Double = 0
Dim yMax As Double =  105

Dim simpleScale As CartesianCoordinates = New CartesianCoordinates()
simpleScale.SetCoordinateBounds(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)
```

It is possible to scale the bounds of the coordinate system based on the data values in a dataset. There are constructors and methods that take a single dataset and others that take an array of datasets.

**Example of auto-scaling a CartesianCoordinates object using a single dataset**

[C#]

```
double [] xData = {1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10};
double [] yData = {10, 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14, 9};

SimpleDataset dataset = new SimpleDataset("Sales", xData, yData);
```

```
CartesianCoordinates simpleScale  = new CartesianCoordinates();
simpleScale.AutoScale(dataset);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xData() As Double  = {1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10}
Dim yData() As Double  = {10, 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14, 9}

Dim dataset As SimpleDataset = New SimpleDataset("Sales", xData, yData)
Dim simpleScale As CartesianCoordinates = New CartesianCoordinates()
simpleScale.AutoScale(dataset)
```

You can control the "tightness" of the auto-scale values about the dataset values using other versions of the **CartesianCoordinates.AutoScale** method that take rounding mode parameters.

**Example of auto-scaling a CartesianCoordinates object using a single dataset and explicit rounding mode parameters**

```
simpleScale.AutoScale(dataset,  ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
```

You can auto-scale the bounds of the coordinate system using a dataset, and then explicitly modify the range the auto-scale selected. There are methods that set the minimum and maximum values of the x- and y-scales. This way you can use the auto-scale methods for the values of one scale (the y-scale in the example below), but explicitly set the values for the other scale (the x-scale in the example below).

**Example of modifying the minimum and maximum values selected by an auto-scale method.**

[C#]

```
double [] xData = {2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9};
double [] yData = { 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14};

SimpleDataset dataset = new SimpleDataset("Sales", xData, yData);
CartesianCoordinates simpleScale  = new CartesianCoordinates();
simpleScale.AutoScale(dataset);
simpleScale.SetScaleStopX(10);
simpleScale.SetScaleStartX(1.0);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xData() As Double  = {1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10}
Dim yData() As Double  = {10, 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14, 9}

Dim dataset As SimpleDataset = New SimpleDataset("Sales", xData, yData)
Dim simpleScale As CartesianCoordinates = new CartesianCoordinates()
simpleScale.AutoScale(dataset)
simpleScale.SetScaleStartX(1.0)
simpleScale.SetScaleStopX(10.0)
```

The auto-scale methods that use an array of datasets to determine the proper range are very similar.

**Example of auto-scaling a CartesianCoordinates object using the multiple datasets**

[C#]

```
double [] xData1 = {1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10};
double [] yData1 = {10, 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14, 9};
double [] xData2 = {10,9,8,7,6,5,4,3,2,1};
double [] yData2 = {20, 12, 43, 54, 15, 26, 63, 25, 24, 19};
double [] xData3 = {5,6,7,6,5,4,5,6,7,8};
double [] yData3 = {30, 52, 13, 64, 25, 76, 13, 35, 24, 19};

SimpleDataset dataset1 = new SimpleDataset("Sales1",xData1,yData1);
SimpleDataset dataset2 = new SimpleDataset("Sales2",xData2,yData2);
SimpleDataset dataset3 = new SimpleDataset("Sales3",xData3,yData3);
SimpleDataset [] datasetsArray = new SimpleDatasets[3];
datasetsArray[0] = dataset1;
datasetsArray[1] = dataset2;
datasetsArray[2] = dataset3;
CartesianCoordinates simpleScale  = new CartesianCoordinates();
simpleScale.AutoScale(datasetsArray);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xData1() As Double = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10}
Dim yData1() As Double = {10, 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14, 9}
Dim xData2() As Double = {10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1}
Dim yData2() As Double = {20, 12, 43, 54, 15, 26, 63, 25, 24, 19}
Dim xData3() As Double = {5, 6, 7, 6, 5, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8}
Dim yData3() As Double = {30, 52, 13, 64, 25, 76, 13, 35, 24, 19}

Dim dataset1 As SimpleDataset = New SimpleDataset("Sales1", xData1, yData1)
Dim dataset2 As SimpleDataset = New SimpleDataset("Sales2", xData2, yData2)
Dim dataset3 As SimpleDataset = New SimpleDataset("Sales3", xData3, yData3)
Dim datasetsArray(2) As SimpleDataset
datasetsArray(0) = dataset1
datasetsArray(1) = dataset2
datasetsArray(2) = dataset3
Dim simpleScale As CartesianCoordinates = New CartesianCoordinates()
simpleScale.AutoScale(datasetsArray)
```

There is a version of the multiple dataset auto-scale routine that also specifies rounding mode parameters.

```
simpleScale.AutoScale(datasetsArray,ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
```

# Logarithmic Coordinate Scaling

The previous examples assume that both the x- and y- scales are linear. If the x and/or y scale are to be logarithmic, then use the **CartesianCoordinates** constructor that has scale mode parameters.

**Example of explicit scaling of three different logarithmic CartesianCoordinates objects**

[C#]

```
double xMin = 1;
double xMax = 1000;
double yMin = 0.2;
double yMax =  2000;
CartesianCoordinates logYScale =
          new CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, ChartObj.LOG_SCALE);
logYScale.SetCoordinateBounds(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);

CartesianCoordinates logXScale =
          new CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LOG_SCALE, ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE);
logXScale.SetCoordinateBounds(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);

CartesianCoordinates logXLogYScale =
          new CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LOG_SCALE, ChartObj.LOG_SCALE);
logXLogYScale.SetCoordinateBounds(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xMin As Double = 1
Dim xMax As Double = 1000
Dim yMin As Double = 0.2
Dim yMax As Double =  2000
Dim logYScale As CartesianCoordinates = _
          New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, ChartObj.LOG_SCALE)
logYScale.SetCoordinateBounds(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)

Dim logXScale As CartesianCoordinates = _
          New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LOG_SCALE, ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
logXScale.SetCoordinateBounds(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)

Dim logXLogYScale As CartesianCoordinates = _
          New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LOG_SCALE, ChartObj.LOG_SCALE)
logXLogYScale.SetCoordinateBounds(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)
```

Note: When you explicitly scale the minimum and maximum values for a scale set to logarithmic coordinates, make sure you use valid values, i.e. non-negative values greater than 0.0.

The auto-scale routines work for both linear and logarithmic scales. If you use the auto-scale methods, it is important that you call the auto-scale methods **after** you establish if a scale is linear or logarithmic. This is because the auto-scale routines will allow zero and negative values for the minimum and maximum of a linear scale, but not a logarithmic scale. If you call the auto-scale routines first, while the scales are set to the default linear scale mode, and change one or both of the scales to logarithmic mode, you can introduce invalid negative and zero values into the logarithmic coordinate system.

**Example of auto-scaling a CartesianCoordinates object that has a logarithmic y-scale, using a single dataset**

[C#]

```
double [] xData = {2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9};
double [] yData = { 2, 33, 440, 5554, 46123, 332322, 5435641, 64567551};
```

```
SimpleDataset dataset = new SimpleDataset("Sales", xData, yData);
CartesianCoordinates simpleScale =
             new CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, ChartObj.LOG_SCALE);
simpleScale.AutoScale(dataset);
simpleScale.SetScaleStopX(10);
simpleScale.SetScaleStartX(1.0);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xData() As Double = {2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9}
Dim yData() As Double = { 2, 33, 440, 5554, 46123, 332322, 5435641, 64567551}

Dim dataset As SimpleDataset = New SimpleDataset("Sales", xData, yData)
Dim simpleScale As CartesianCoordinates = _
             New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, ChartObj.LOG_SCALE)
simpleScale.AutoScale(dataset)
simpleScale.SetScaleStopX(10)
simpleScale.SetScaleStartX(1.0)
```

# Coordinate Systems using times and dates

Many charting applications use data where the x- or y-coordinate values are in the form
of time and date records. The creation of a powerful yet flexible time and date physical
coordinate system for scaling charts is a major challenge. Important design goals include:

- The programmer scales the graph using objects of the **ChartCalendar** class.
- The scale should support a continuous range of date/time scaling from
  milliseconds to hundreds of years.
- The scale should have a 5/7 day week option.
- A day does not have to be 24 hours long; instead, it can have a specific range,
  for example: 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM.
- Time and date axes, used to delineate a date/time scale, must be able to
  display and label tick marks for days, weeks, months and years, taking into
  account the non-uniformity of years, months, weeks and days in the Gregorian
  calendar.

## The ChartCalendar Class

The **ChartCalendar** class represents time and date information in the format used by the
majority of the world. It is a universal time class, capable of representing time with a
resolution of milliseconds and a dynamic range of hundreds of years. It contains time and
date fields that specify an exact moment in time, i.e. November 7, 2000 20:43:22.554.
Since the **ChartCalendar** class represents both time of day and calendar dates, is not
necessary to use separate time of day and date classes to manage data collected every few
seconds, yet spans a day or more. An example of this type of date/time range is a graph of
experimental data, sampled every 15 seconds, starting on June 12, 2001 11:43:00 PM and
continuing until June 15, 2001 1:03:45 AM.

The major application for date/time chart scaling on the Internet is the display of financial market data. Multiply the number of on-line investors using the charting tools of on-line brokerage firms and financial web sites by the number of individual stocks, bonds, options and futures contracts that they are able to chart and it becomes apparent that the number of potential charts is almost infinite. Many stocks have more than 50 years of hourly historical information associated with them. A chart comparing the relative performance of General Electric, IBM, Dupont, Ford and Kodak, compared to the Dow Jones Industrial average, since the dawn of the computer age in 1950, will quickly highlight the above average stock market gains that can be made by investing in the right stocks. A user may start by looking at a fifty-year window on a stock, then through successive zoom operations narrow the window to two years, one month, one day, one hour and perhaps even one minute.

## 5 vs. 7 Day Work Weeks

Historically, western cultures use a five-day workweek. Much of the data suitable for charting includes data for only the workdays of Monday through Friday, excluding weekends. Data associated with financial markets is the most common. Stocks trade on Monday through Friday, excluding weekends and holidays. In the display of financial market information, it is not useful, and in many cases misleading, to scale a graph, using a seven-day work week, and then only plot data using five of the seven days. The gaps left in the chart waste valuable chart space. For line plots, if a line is drawn from the last data point on Friday to the first data point on Monday, the result gives a visual impression that the trend from Friday to Monday lasted two days (Friday midnight to Sunday midnight), when in fact it may have only lasted minutes. The **QCChart2D for .***Net*** date/time scaling, axes and auto-axes classes support dropping weekends, as an option, from the scale. One minute after Friday midnight is 12:01 AM Monday morning.

## Non-24 Hour Days

Similarly, a full day of time stamped data may not fill an entire 24 hour day. Financial markets have specific trading hours. For example, the NYSE is open from 9:30 AM EST to 4:00 PM EST. Stocks traded on the NYSE will have a time stamp in this time range. Plotting NYSE stock data for several days, using data points sampled every fifteen minutes, will result in large gaps in a traditional chart, where 2/3 of the day stock trading is inactive. It is possible to treat the unused portion of the day in a manner analogous to weekends. It is possible to eliminate unused hours and minutes of a day from the chart coordinate system. The **QCChart2D for .***Net*** coordinate system allows the programmer to specify a starting and ending time for a days worth of data. In the NYSE stock market example the starting time is 9:30 AM EST and the ending time is 4:00 PM EST. Any data outside of this range is invalid and not plotted. In terms of the resulting chart, one minute after 4:30 PM is 9:31 AM. Combine the starting and ending time parameters, with the option of deleting weekends from consideration, and one minute after 4:30 PM Friday is 9:31 AM Monday.

## Non-Uniformity of Date/Time Tick Marks

There even more complications associated with date/time scales. The axis that delineates a date/time scale must take into account the non-uniform nature of date/time tick marks and tick mark labels. A month has a variable number of days. When months are used as the major tick mark interval, and days are the minor tick mark interval, the software must be capable of plotting 28, 29, 30 or 31minor tick marks (days) for every major tick mark (months), depending on the month. Another example is the use of months as the major tick mark interval, and weeks as the minor tick mark interval. Some months will have four minor tick marks (start of each new week) while others will have five. The software also needs to take into the variable number of days/year due to leap years. Date/time axis tick marks and labels become even more complicated when the 5-day/7-day option and the working hours/day options are used.

The **QCChart2D for .***Net* library uses milliseconds as the underlying time base for all date/time coordinate system. When a scale is created using two **ChartCalendar** dates as end points, the software calculates the number of milliseconds seconds between the starting date and the ending date. If the coordinate system is based on a 5-day week, the milliseconds associated with the missing weekends are not counted. If the coordinate system does not use 24 hours a day, the milliseconds associated with the missing part of the day are not counted. A linear coordinate system is scaled using the range of calculated milliseconds. Data points plotted in this coordinate system have their date/time value converted to milliseconds seconds by subtracting the starting date of the scale from the data point date, making sure to exclude the seconds associated with weekends and fractional days, if necessary. The data point is plotted in the milliseconds based linear coordinate system. Since the **QCChart2D for .***Net* library uses milliseconds as the underlying time base, the minimum allowable displayable range is one millisecond. For ranges smaller than one second, the programmer needs to convert the **ChartCalendar** values to seconds or milliseconds and use the **CartesianCoordinates** class to scale the chart. You loose the date/time formatting of the axis labels, but this should not matter if you are dealing in the sub millisecond realm.

## Class TimeCoordinates

**PhysicalCoordinates**
    |
       +-- **TimeCoordinates**

The **TimeCoordinates** class scales the chart plot area for physical coordinate systems that use date/time scaling. The basic techniques are essentially the same as those used with linear and logarithmic scaling; only the **TimeCoordinates** class uses

**ChartCalendar** dates in place of numeric values for the x- or y-axis scale values. The minimum and maximum values of the x- and y-scales can be set explicitly, set using one of the auto-scale methods, or set using a combination of the two.

The default coordinate system for the **TimeCoordinates** class is time for the x-scale and linear for the y-scale scale. The y-scale can be logarithmic and you can set that mode using the explicit scale mode version of the **TimeCoordinates** constructor. If you already know the range for x and y for the plot area, you can scale the plot area explicitly. In the example below a **TimeCoordinates** constructor initializes the coordinates to the proper values.

**TimeCoordinates constructor with explicit scaling of a time based x-scale, and a numeric based y-scale.**

[C#]

```
ChartCalendar xMin = new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,5);
ChartCalendar xMax = new ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY,5);
double yMin = 0;
double yMax =  105;

TimeCoordinates simpleTimeScale;
simpleTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xMin As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,5)
Dim xMax As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY,5)
Dim yMin As Double = 0
Dim yMax As Double =  105

Dim simpleTimeScale As TimeCoordinates
simpleTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)
```

**TimeCoordinates constructor with explicit scaling of a numeric based x-scale, and a time based y-scale.**

[C#]

```
double xMin = 0;
double xMax =  105;
ChartCalendar yMin = new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,5);
ChartCalendar yMax = new ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY,5);

TimeCoordinates simpleTimeScale;
simpleTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xMin As Double = 0
Dim xMax As Double =  105
Dim yMin As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,5)
Dim yMax As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY,5)

Dim simpleTimeScale As TimeCoordinates
simpleTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)
```

Another technique uses the default constructor and scales the coordinates using the **TimeCoordinates.SetTimeCoordinateBounds** method.

**Example of explicit scaling of a TimeCoordinates object (time x-scale and numeric y-scale) using the TimeCoordinates.SetTimeCoordinateBounds method**

[C#]

```
ChartCalendar xMin = new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,5);
ChartCalendar xMax = new ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY,5);
double yMin = 0;
double yMax =  105;
TimeCoordinates simpleTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates();

simpleTimeScale.SetTimeCoordinateBounds (xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xMin As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,5)
Dim xMax As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY,5)
Dim yMin As Double = 0
Dim yMax As Double =  105

Dim simpleTimeScale As TimeCoordinates = New TimeCoordinates()
simpleTimeScale.SetTimeCoordinateBounds (xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)
```

**Example of explicit scaling of a TimeCoordinates object (numeric x-scale and time y-scale) using the TimeCoordinates.SetTimeCoordinateBounds method**

[C#]

```
double xMin = 0;
double xMax =  105;
ChartCalendar yMin = new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,5);
ChartCalendar yMax = new ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY,5);
TimeCoordinates simpleTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates();

simpleTimeScale.SetTimeCoordinateBounds (xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xMin As Double = 0
Dim xMax As Double =  105
Dim yMin As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,5)
Dim yMax As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY,5)

Dim simpleTimeScale As TimeCoordinates = New TimeCoordinates()
simpleTimeScale.SetTimeCoordinateBounds (xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)
```

It is possible to scale the bounds of the coordinate system based on the data values in a time-based dataset, **TimeSimpleDataset** and **TimeGroupDataset**. There are constructors and methods that take a single dataset and others that take an array of datasets.

**Example of auto-scaling a TimeCoordinates object using a single dataset**

[C#]

```
ChartCalendar [] xData = { new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,  5),
                     new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.MARCH,   5),
                     new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.APRIL,   5),
                     new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.MAY,   5),
                     new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.JUNE,   5),
                     new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.JULY,   5),
                     new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.AUGUST,   5),
                     new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.SEPTEMBER, 5),
                     new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.OCTOBER, 5),
                     new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.NOVEMBER,  5)};
double [] yData = {10, 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14, 9};

TimeSimpleDataset dataset =  new TimeSimpleDataset("Sales", xData, yData);
TimeCoordinates simpleTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates();
simpleTimeScale.AutoScale(dataset);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xData() As ChartCalendar = { New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,  5), _
                     New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.MARCH,   5), _
                     New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.APRIL,   5), _
                     New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.MAY,   5), _
                     New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.JUNE,   5), _
                     New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.JULY,   5), _
                     New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.AUGUST,   5), _
                     New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.SEPTEMBER, 5), _
                     New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.OCTOBER, 5), _
                     New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.NOVEMBER,  5)}
Dim yData() As Double = {10, 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14, 9}

Dim dataset As TimeSimpleDataset = New TimeSimpleDataset("Sales", xData, yData)
Dim simpleTimeScale As TimeCoordinates = New TimeCoordinates()
simpleTimeScale.AutoScale(dataset)
```

Using similar logic you can define a **TimeSimpleDataset** with numeric x-values and **ChartCalendar** y-values. If you auto-scale the coordinate system using that dataset you will end up with a numeric x-axis and a time y-axis.

You can control the "tightness" of the auto-scale values about the dataset values using other versions of the **TimeCoordinates.AutoScale** method that take rounding mode parameters.

**Example of auto-scaling a TimeCoordinates object using a single dataset and explicit rounding mode parameters**

```
simpleTimeScale.AutoScale(dataset,ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
```

You can auto-scale the coordinate bounds using a dataset, and then explicitly modify the range the auto-scale selected. There are methods for setting the minimum and maximum values of the x- and y-scales. This way you can use the auto-scale methods for the values of one scale (the y-scale in the example below), but explicitly set the values for the other scale (the x-scale in the example below).

**Example of modifying the minimum and maximum values selected by an auto-scale method**

[C#]

```
ChartCalendar [] xData = { new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,  5),
                       new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.MARCH,  5),
                       new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.APRIL,  5),
                       new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.MAY,  5),
                       new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.JUNE,  5),
                       new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.JULY,  5),
                       new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.AUGUST,  5),
                       new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.SEPTEMBER, 5),
                       new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.OCTOBER, 5),
                       new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.NOVEMBER,  5)};
double [] yData = {10, 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14, 9};

TimeSimpleDataset dataset =  new TimeSimpleDataset("Sales", xData, yData);
TimeCoordinates simpleTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates();
simpleTimeScale.AutoScale(dataset);
simpleTimeScale.SetTimeScaleStart(new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.JANUARY,5));
simpleTimeScale.SetTimeScaleStop(new ChartCalendar(1997, ChartObj.JANUARY,5));
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xData() As ChartCalendar = { New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,  5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.MARCH,  5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.APRIL,  5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.MAY,  5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.JUNE,  5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.JULY,  5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.AUGUST,  5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.SEPTEMBER, 5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.OCTOBER, 5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.NOVEMBER,  5)}
Dim yData() As Double = {10, 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14, 9}

Dim dataset As TimeSimpleDataset = New TimeSimpleDataset("Sales", xData, yData)
Dim simpleTimeScale As TimeCoordinates = New TimeCoordinates()
simpleTimeScale.AutoScale(dataset)
simpleTimeScale.SetTimeScaleStart(new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.JANUARY,5))
simpleTimeScale.SetTimeScaleStop(new ChartCalendar(1997, ChartObj.JANUARY,5))
```

The auto-scale methods that use an array of datasets to determine the proper range are very similar.

**Example of auto-scaling a TimeCoordinates object using the multiple datasets**

[C#]

```
ChartCalendar [] xData = { new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,  5),
                       new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.MARCH,  5),
                       new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.APRIL,  5),
                       new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.MAY,  5),
                       new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.JUNE,  5),
                       new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.JULY,  5),
                       new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.AUGUST,  5),
                       new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.SEPTEMBER, 5),
                       new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.OCTOBER, 5),
```

```
                              new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.NOVEMBER,  5)};

double [] yData1 = {10, 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14, 9};
double [] yData2 = {20, 12, 43, 54, 15, 26, 63, 25, 24, 19};
double [] yData3 = {30, 52, 13, 64, 25, 76, 13, 35, 24, 19};
// All of the datasets reference the same xData array of ChartCalendar
// dates, though this does not have to be the case.
TimeSimpleDataset dataset1 = new TimeSimpleDataset("Sales1",xData,yData1);
TimeSimpleDataset dataset2 = new TimeSimpleDataset("Sales2",xData,yData2);
TimeSimpleDataset dataset3 = new TimeSimpleDataset("Sales3",xData,yData3);
TimeSimpleDataset [] datasetsArray = new TimeSimpleDataset[3];
datasetsArray[0] = dataset1;
datasetsArray[1] = dataset2;
datasetsArray[2] = dataset3;
TimeCoordinates simpleTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates();
simpleTimeScale.AutoScale(datasetsArray);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xData() As ChartCalendar = { New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,  5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.MARCH,  5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.APRIL,  5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.MAY,  5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.JUNE,  5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.JULY,  5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.AUGUST,  5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.SEPTEMBER, 5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.OCTOBER, 5), _
                       New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.NOVEMBER,  5)}
Dim yData1() As Double = {10, 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14, 9}
Dim yData2() As Double = {20, 12, 43, 54, 15, 26, 63, 25, 24, 19}
Dim yData3() As Double = {30, 52, 13, 64, 25, 76, 13, 35, 24, 19}
' All of the datasets reference the same xData array of ChartCalendar
' dates, though this does not have to be the case.
Dim dataset1 As TimeSimpleDataset = New TimeSimpleDataset("Sales1",xData,yData1)
Dim dataset2 As TimeSimpleDataset = New TimeSimpleDataset("Sales2",xData,yData2)
Dim dataset3 As TimeSimpleDataset = New TimeSimpleDataset("Sales3",xData,yData3)
Dim datasetsArray(2) As TimeSimpleDataset
datasetsArray(0) = dataset1
datasetsArray(1) = dataset2
datasetsArray(2) = dataset3
Dim simpleTimeScale As TimeCoordinates = New TimeCoordinates()
simpleTimeScale.AutoScale(datasetsArray)
```

There is a version of the multiple dataset auto-scale routine that also specifies rounding mode parameters.

```
simpleTimeScale.AutoScale(datasetsArray,ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR,
ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
```

The previous examples use the **TimeCoordinates** default 7 days/week, and 24-hours/day modes. Many of the methods in the software have a *weektype* parameter. The default value of this parameter is the constant **ChartObj.WEEK_7D**. If you want the coordinate system to ignore Saturdays and Sundays, use the constant **ChartObj.WEEK_5D** constant**.** Use the methods below to establish a 5-days/week coordinate system.

**TimeCoordinates constructor**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal dstart As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal y1 As Double, _
   ByVal dstop As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal y2 As Double, _
   ByVal nweektype As Integer _
)
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal dstart As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal y1 As Double, _
   ByVal dstop As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal y2 As Double, _
)
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal x1 As Double, _
   ByVal dstart As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal x2 As Double, _
   ByVal dstop As ChartCalendar, _
)

[C#]
public TimeCoordinates(
   ChartCalendar dstart,
   double y1,
   ChartCalendar dstop,
   double y2,
   int nweektype
);
public TimeCoordinates(
  double x1,
  ChartCalendar dstart,
  double x2,
  ChartCalendar dstop,
);
public TimeCoordinates(
   ChartCalendar dstart,
   double y1,
   ChartCalendar dstop,
   double y2,
);
```

## SetTimeCoordinateBounds method

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetTimeCoordinateBounds( _
   ByVal dstart As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal y1 As Double, _
   ByVal dstop As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal y2 As Double, _
   ByVal nweektype As Integer _
)
Overloads Public Sub SetTimeCoordinateBounds( _
   ByVal dstart As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal y1 As Double, _
   ByVal dstop As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal y2 As Double, _
)

Overloads Public Sub SetTimeCoordinateBounds( _
   ByVal x1 As Double, _
   ByVal dstart As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal x2 As Double, _
   ByVal dstop As ChartCalendar, _
)

[C#]
public void SetTimeCoordinateBounds(
   ChartCalendar dstart,
```

```
    double y1,
    ChartCalendar dstop,
    double y2,
    int nweektype
);

public void SetTimeCoordinateBounds(
    ChartCalendar dstart,
    double y1,
    ChartCalendar dstop,
    double y2,
);

public void SetTimeCoordinateBounds(
    double x1,
    ChartCalendar dstart,
    double x2,
    ChartCalendar dstop,
);
```

## SetWeekType  method

```
[Visual Basic]
Public Sub SetWeekType( _
    ByVal weektype As Integer _
)
[C#]
public void SetWeekType(
    int weektype
);
```

If you use the auto-scale routines, set the week type before you call the
**TimeCoordinates.AutoScale** method because the auto-scale routines need to take into
account the week type. For example:

[C#]

```
TimeSimpleDataset dataset =  new TimeSimpleDataset("Sales", xData, yData);
TimeCoordinates simpleTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates();
simpleTimeScale.SetWeekType(ChartObj.WEEK_5D);
simpleTimeScale.AutoScale(dataset);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim dataset As TimeSimpleDataset =  New TimeSimpleDataset("Sales", xData, yData)
Dim simpleTimeScale As TimeCoordinates = New TimeCoordinates()
simpleTimeScale.SetWeekType(ChartObj.WEEK_5D)
simpleTimeScale.AutoScale(dataset)
```

In addition to the week type, the other major way to customize a **TimeCoordinates**
coordinate system is not to use a 24-hour day. There are methods that set the starting and
ending time-of-day. For example, if you are interested in plotting stock market data
trading during the regular trading day of 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM, you can setup the
coordinate system to only include these hours, and to treat any data outside of these hours
as invalid and not to be plotted. A day can have only one continuous range. You are not
able to define a day to with a valid range of 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM to 9:00

PM. Only one of these ranges is valid, or a combined range of 9:30 AM to 9:00 PM where the 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM time segment is included in the range.

## TimeCoordinates constructor with time-of-day parameters

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal dstart As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal starttime As Long, _
   ByVal y1 As Double, _
   ByVal dstop As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal stoptime As Long, _
   ByVal y2 As Double, _
   ByVal nweektype As Integer _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal dstart As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal starttime As Long, _
   ByVal y1 As Double, _
   ByVal dstop As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal stoptime As Long, _
   ByVal y2 As Double, _
   ByVal ntimeaxis As Integer _
   ByVal nweektype As Integer _
)

[C#]
public TimeCoordinates(
   ChartCalendar dstart,
   long starttime,
   double y1,
   ChartCalendar dstop,
   long stoptime,
   double y2,
   int nweektype
);

public TimeCoordinates(
   ChartCalendar dstart,
   long starttime,
   double y1,
   ChartCalendar dstop,
   long stoptime,
   double y2,
   int ntimeaxis
   int nweektype
);
```

## TimeCoordinates constructor example for a 5 day/week and 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM time-of-day range

[C#]

```
long starttod = (9 * 60 + 30) * 60 * 1000; // msecs cooresponding to 9:30 AM
long stoptod = 16 * 60 * 60 * 1000; // msecs cooresponding to 4:00 PM
ChartCalendar dstart = new ChartCalendar(1996,ChartObj.FEBRUARY,5);
ChartCalendar dstop = new ChartCalendar(1997, ChartObj.JANUARY,5);
double y1 = 0.0;
double y2 = 55.0;
TimeCoordinates stockTimeScale;

stockTimeScale =   new TimeCoordinates(dstart, starttod,  y1, dstop, stoptod , y2,
                                   ChartObj.WEEK_5D)
```

[VB]

```
Dim starttod As Long = (9 * 60 + 30) * 60 * 1000 ' msecs cooresponding to 9:30 AM
Dim stoptod As Long = 16 * 60 * 60 * 1000 ' msecs cooresponding to 4:00 PM
Dim dstart As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(1996,ChartObj.FEBRUARY,5)
Dim dstop As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(1997, ChartObj.JANUARY,5)
Dim y1 As Double = 0.0
Dim y2 As Double = 55.0
Dim stockTimeScale As TimeCoordinates

stockTimeScale = New TimeCoordinates(dstart, starttod,  y1, dstop, stoptod , y2, _
                                     ChartObj.WEEK_5D)
```

Another technique uses the default constructor and scales the coordinates using the **TimeCoordinates.SetTimeCoordinateBounds** method.

### SetTimeCoordinateBounds Method

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetTimeCoordinateBounds( _
   ByVal dstart As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal starttod As Long, _
   ByVal y1 As Double, _
   ByVal dstop As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal stoptod As Long, _
   ByVal y2 As Double, _
   ByVal nweektype As Integer _
)

Overloads Public Sub SetTimeCoordinateBounds( _
   ByVal x1 As Double, _
   ByVal dstart As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal starttod As Long, _
   ByVal x2 As Double, _
   ByVal dstop As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal stoptod As Long, _
   ByVal nweektype As Integer _
)
[C#]
public void SetTimeCoordinateBounds(
   ChartCalendar dstart,
   long starttod,
   double y1,
   ChartCalendar dstop,
   long stoptod,
   double y2,
   int nweektype
);

public void SetTimeCoordinateBounds(
   double x1,
   ChartCalendar dstart,
   long starttod,
   double x2,
   ChartCalendar dstop,
   long stoptod,
   int nweektype
);
```

### SetTimeCoordinateBounds example for a 5 day/week and  9:30 AM to 4:00 PM time-of-day range SetWeekType  method

[C#]

```csharp
long starttod = (9 * 60 + 30) * 60 * 1000; // msecs cooresponding to 9:30 AM
long stoptod = 16 * 60 * 60 * 1000; // msecs cooresponding to 4:00 PM
ChartCalendar dstart = new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,  5);
ChartCalendar dstop = new ChartCalendar(1997, ChartObj.JANUARY,  5);
double y1 = 0.0;
double y2 = 55.0;
TimeCoordinates stockTimeScale;

stockTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates();
stockTimeScale.SetTimeCoordinateBounds(dstart, starttod,  y1,
                                       dstop, stoptod , y2,
                                       ChartObj.WEEK_5D);
```

[Visual Basic]

```vbnet
Dim starttod As Long = (9 * 60 + 30) * 60 * 1000 ' msecs cooresponding to 9:30 AM
Dim stoptod As Long = 16 * 60 * 60 * 1000 '  msecs cooresponding to 4:00 PM
Dim dstart As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY, 5)
Dim dstop As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(1997, ChartObj.JANUARY, 5)
Dim y1 As Double = 0.0
Dim y2 As Double = 55.0
Dim stockTimeScale As TimeCoordinates = New TimeCoordinates()
stockTimeScale.SetTimeCoordinateBounds(dstart, starttod, y1, _
                             dstop, stoptod, y2, ChartObj.WEEK_5D)
```

If you use the auto-scale routines, set the week type and the time-of-day range before you call the **TimeCoordinates.AutoScale** method because the auto-scale routines need to take into account the number of seconds per day and the week type. For example:

[C#]

```csharp
// the tradingDay array is initialized with the stock trading dates
// the stockPrice array is initialized with stock price data
TimeSimpleDataset Dataset1 = new TimeSimpleDataset("First",tradingDay,stockPrice);

long startTime = (9 * 60 + 30) * 60 * 1000; // msecs cooresponding to 9:30 AM
long stopTime = 16 * 60 * 60 * 1000; // msecs cooresponding to 4:00 PM

TimeCoordinates stockTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates();
stockTimeScale.SetWeekType (ChartObj.WEEK_5D);
stockTimeScale.SetScaleStartTOD(startTime);
stockTimeScale.SetScaleStopTOD(stopTime);
stockTimeScale.AutoScale(Dataset1,ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
```

[Visual Basic]

```vbnet
' the tradingDay array is initialized with the stock trading dates
' the stockPrice array is initialized with stock price data
Dim Dataset1 As TimeSimpleDataset  = _
      New TimeSimpleDataset("First",tradingDay,stockPrice)

Dim startTime As Long = (9 * 60 + 30) * 60 * 1000 'msecs cooresponding to 9:30 AM
Dim stopTime As Long = 16 * 60 * 60 * 1000 ' msecs cooresponding to 4:00 PM

Dim stockTimeScale As TimeCoordinates = new TimeCoordinates()
stockTimeScale.SetWeekType (ChartObj.WEEK_5D)
stockTimeScale.SetScaleStartTOD(startTime)
stockTimeScale.SetScaleStopTOD(stopTime)
stockTimeScale.AutoScale(Dataset1,ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
```

## Class ElapsedTimeCoordinates

**PhysicalCoordinates**
```
        |
      +-- CartesianCoordinates
              |
              +-- ElapsedTimeCoordinates
```

The **ElapsedTimeCoordinates** class scales the chart plot area for a physical coordinate system which uses an elapsed time scale in combin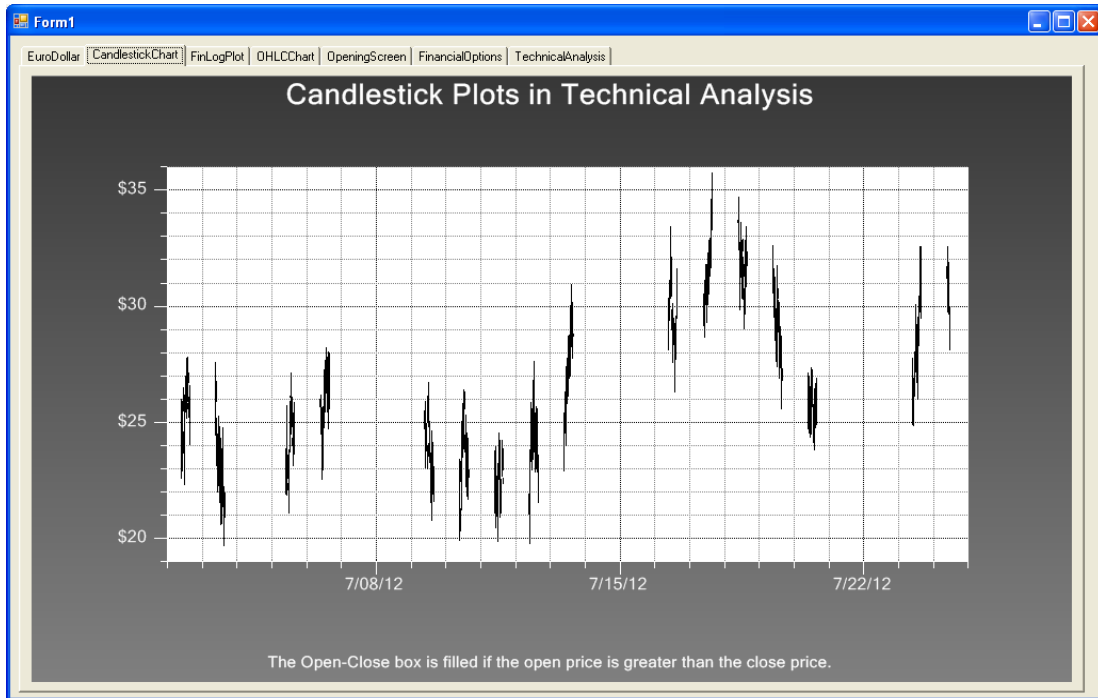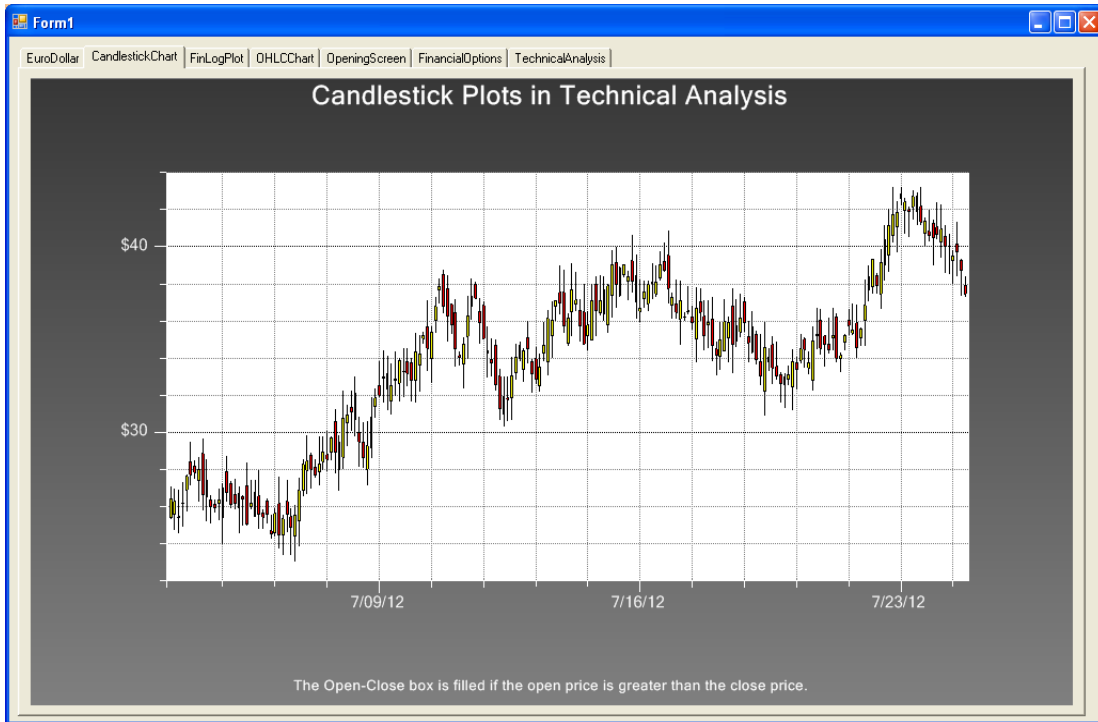ation with a linear or logarithmic scaling. The elapsed time scale uses milliseconds as the time base, so all time values should be represented using their milliseconds equivalent value, i.e. a value of 30 seconds is represented by the value 30000. The axis labeling class, **ElapsedTimeAxisLabels**, converts the millisecond values to equivalent seconds values, i.e., the value 30000 milliseconds will be displayed as 30 seconds in the format "00:00:30".

There are three main ways to scale the plot area:

- Scale the minimum and maximum x- and y- values explicitly. You can scale the the elapse time axis using **TimeSpan** objects, or using millisecond values, i.e. an elapsed time range of 0 – 30 seconds would be scaled for 0-30000.
- Use an auto-scale method to calculates appropriate minimum and maximum x- and y-values based on the x- and y-values in one or more datasets
- Use a combination of the first two methods. It is useful to be able to run an auto-scale function, and then change the minimum or maximum value of one or more coordinate endpoints.

## ElapsedTime Coordinate Scaling

The default coordinate system for the **ElapsedTimeCoordinates** class is elapsed time for the x-dimension and linear for the y dimension. If you already know the range for x and y for the plot area, you can scale the plot area explicitly.

The example below uses a **ElapsedTimeCoordinates** constructor to initialize the coordinates to the proper values.

**Scale for elapsed time using the ElapsedTimeCoordinates constructor with explicit scaling for a range of  30 seconds.**

[C#]

```csharp
double xMin = 0; // starting elapsed time is 0
double xMax = 30 * 1000; // ending elpase time is 30 seconds
double yMin = 0;
double yMax =  105;

ElapsedTimeCoordinates simpleScale;
simpleScale = new ElapsedTimeCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);

TimeSpan xTSMin = TimeSpan.FromSeconds(0); // starting elapsed time is 0
```

```
TimeSpan xTSMax = TimeSpan.FromSeconds(30); // ending elpase time is 30 seconds
simpleScale = new ElapsedTimeCoordinates(xTSMin, yMin, xTSMax, yMax);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xMin As Double = 0  ' starting elapsed time is 0
Dim xMax As Double= 30 * 1000' ending elpase time is 30 seconds
Dim yMin As Double = 0
Dim yMax As Double =  105

Dim simpleScale As ElapsedTimeCoordinates
simpleScale = New ElapsedTimeCoordinates (xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)
// or scale using TimeSpan values

Dim xTSMin  As TimeSpan = TimeSpan.FromSeconds(0) ' starting time is 0
Dim xTSMax  As TimeSpan = TimeSpan.FromSeconds(30) 'ending time is 30 seconds
simpleScale = new ElapsedTimeCoordinates(xTSMin, yMin, xTSMax, yMax)
```

Another technique uses the default constructor and scales the coordinates using the
**ElapsedTimeCoordinates .SetCoordinateBounds** method.

 **Example of explicit scaling of a ElapsedTimeCoordinates object using the
ElapsedTimeCoordinates.SetCoordinateBounds method**

[C#]

```
double xMin  = 0  ' starting elapsed time is 0
double xMax = 30 * 1000 ' ending elpase time is 30 seconds
double yMin = 0;
double yMax =  105;
ElapsedTimeCoordinates simpleScale = new ElapsedTimeCoordinates ();

simpleScale.SetCoordinateBounds(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xMin As Double = 0  ' starting elapsed time is 0
Dim xMax As Double= 30 * 1000 ' ending elpase time is 30 seconds
Dim yMin As Double = 0
Dim yMax As Double =  105

Dim simpleScale As ElapsedTimeCoordinates = New ElapsedTimeCoordinates ()
simpleScale.SetCoordinateBounds(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)
```

It is possible to scale the bounds of the coordinate system based on the data values in a
dataset. There are constructors and methods that take a single dataset and others that take
an array of datasets.

**Example of auto-scaling a ElapsedTimeCoordinates object using a single dataset**

[C#]

```
double [] xData = {1000,2000,3000,4000,5000,6000,7000,8000,9000,10000};
double [] yData = {10, 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14, 9};
```

```
ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset dataset = new ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset ("Sales", xData,
yData);
ElapsedTimeCoordinates simpleScale  = new ElapsedTimeCoordinates ();
simpleScale.AutoScale(dataset);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xData() As Double  = {1000,2000,3000,4000,5000,6000,7000,8000,9000,10000}
Dim yData() As Double  = {10, 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14, 9}

Dim dataset As ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset = New ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset ("Sales",
xData, yData)
Dim simpleScale As ElapsedTimeCoordinates = New ElapsedTimeCoordinates ()
simpleScale.AutoScale(dataset)
```

You can control the "tightness" of the auto-scale values about the dataset values using other versions of the **ElapsedTimeCoordinates .AutoScale** method that take rounding mode parameters.

### Example of auto-scaling a ElapsedTimeCoordinates object using a single dataset and explicit rounding mode parameters

```
simpleScale.AutoScale(dataset,  ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
```

You can auto-scale the bounds of the coordinate system using a dataset, and then explicitly modify the range the auto-scale selected. There are methods that set the minimum and maximum values of the x- and y-scales. This way you can use the auto-scale methods for the values of one scale (the y-scale in the example below), but explicitly set the values for the other scale (the x-scale in the example below).

### Example of modifying the minimum and maximum values selected by an auto-scale method.

[C#]

```
double [] xData = {1000,2000,3000,4000,5000,6000,7000,8000,9000};
double [] yData = {11, 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14};

ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset dataset = new ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset ("Sales", xData,
yData);
ElapsedTimeCoordinates simpleScale  = new ElapsedTimeCoordinates ();
simpleScale.AutoScale(dataset);
simpleScale.SetScaleStartY(0);
simpleScale.SetScaleStopY(100.0);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xData() As Double  = {1000,2000,3000,4000,5000,6000,7000,8000,9000}
Dim yData() As Double  = {10, 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14, 9}

Dim dataset As ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset = New ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset ("Sales",
xData, yData)
Dim simpleScale As ElapsedTimeCoordinates = new ElapsedTimeCoordinates ()
simpleScale.AutoScale(dataset)
simpleScale.SetScaleStartY(0)
```

```
simpleScale.SetScaleStopY(100.0)
```

The auto-scale methods that use an array of datasets to determine the proper range are very similar.

**Example of auto-scaling a ElapsedTimeCoordinates object using the multiple datasets**

[C#]

```
double [] xData1 = {1000,2000,3000,4000,5000,6000,7000,8000,9000,10000};
double [] yData1 = {10, 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14, 9};
double [] xData2 = 1000,2000,3000,4000,5000,6000,7000,8000,9000,10000};
double [] yData2 = {20, 12, 43, 54, 15, 26, 63, 25, 24, 19};
double [] xData3 = 1000,2000,3000,4000,5000,6000,7000,8000,9000,10000};
double [] yData3 = {30, 52, 13, 64, 25, 76, 13, 35, 24, 19};

ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset dataset1 = new ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset
("Sales1",xData1,yData1);
ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset dataset2 = new ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset
("Sales2",xData2,yData2);
ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset dataset3 = new ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset
("Sales3",xData3,yData3);
ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset [] datasetsArray = new ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset [3];
datasetsArray[0] = dataset1;
datasetsArray[1] = dataset2;
datasetsArray[2] = dataset3;
ElapsedTimeCoordinates simpleScale  = new ElapsedTimeCoordinates ();
simpleScale.AutoScale(datasetsArray);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xData1() As Double = {1000, 2000, 3000, 4000, 5000, 6000, 7000, 8000, 9000,
10000}
Dim yData1() As Double = {10, 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14, 9}
Dim xData2() As Double = {1000, 2000, 3000, 4000, 5000, 6000, 7000, 8000, 9000,
10000}
Dim yData2() As Double = {20, 12, 43, 54, 15, 26, 63, 25, 24, 19}
Dim xData3() As Double = {1000, 2000, 3000, 4000, 5000, 6000, 7000, 8000, 9000,
10000}
Dim yData3() As Double = {30, 52, 13, 64, 25, 76, 13, 35, 24, 19}

Dim dataset1 As ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset = New ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset ("Sales1",
xData1, yData1)
Dim dataset2 As ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset = New ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset ("Sales2",
xData2, yData2)
Dim dataset3 As ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset = New ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset ("Sales3",
xData3, yData3)
Dim datasetsArray(2) As ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset
datasetsArray(0) = dataset1
datasetsArray(1) = dataset2
datasetsArray(2) = dataset3
Dim simpleScale As ElapsedTimeCoordinates = New ElapsedTimeCoordinates ()
simpleScale.AutoScale(datasetsArray)
```

There is a version of the multiple dataset auto-scale routine that also specifies rounding mode parameters.

```
simpleScale.AutoScale(datasetsArray,ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
```

## Class EventCoordinates

**PhysicalCoordinates**
     |
    **+-- CartesianCoordinates**
         |
        **+-- EventCoordinates**
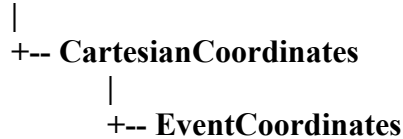

The **EventCoordinates** class scales the chart plot area for a physical coordinate system which uses an event scale in combination with a linear or logarithmic scaling. The underlying event scale uses a simple linear scale, scaled from 0 to N-1, where N is the number of ChartEvents with a unique time stamp in the attached ChartEvent based datasets: EventSimpleDataset and EventGroupDataset. Unlike the other coordinate systems, an EventCoordinate object requires an event dataset as part of its definition.

The **ChartEvent** class incorporates two x-value positioning properties, the Position and the TimeStamp, and one or more numeric y-values for each event. A single event therefore defines both the x-and y-values of the event in the underlying coordinate system. A collection, or array, of ChartEvent objects define the data for a plot, the same way as arrays of x- and y-values define a plot when using a simple dataset class with a Cartesian coordinate system. The critical element of the ChartEvent which permit it to be used for the plotting of discontinuous data is that the Position of the event in a chart is related, but, independent of the TimeStamp of the event. Event data can be positioned contiguously, and evenly spaced, in a chart, even if the time stamps of the events are not contiguous, or evenly spaced. Here is a simple example of a standard financial candlestick plot chart, using our TimeCoordinates class as the coordinate system, where the time/date data is not evenly spaced, and contains large gaps corresponding to weekends, and inactive hours of the day. The July 4th holiday is included in the range, and there is no data for that time interval either.

Contrast this to the similar data,  using the same time range, plotted using the EventCoordinates class. Note how every event is evenly spaced with its neighbor. Gaps do not exist, since weekends, holidays, and unused hours are bridged over as if they do not exist.he same would be true for gaps due to holidays, and a varying number of work hours in a day.

Zooming in further, you can see the smooth transition across the July 4ᵗʰ holiday, and the following weekend.

Zoom in again, and you can see the smooth transition from one day to the next, even though the working hours are only a 9:30 to 16:00 subset of the 24 hours of a day.

This is accomplished because of the dual positioning values, Position and TimeStamp, of the ChartEvent class. Each element of a plot object (one of the candlestick objects in the plot above) is positioned in a simple linear coordinate system, starting at 0 and incrementing by 1 for each ChartEvent object. In the previous example, the first ChartEvent object is has a Position value of 0.0, and the last ChartEvent object has a position of 199, because there are 200 data points in the chart. This is what keeps the individual elements of a plot object evenly spaced, because the plot elements are positioned in the chart using the Position value, not the TimeStamp value. But, the associated x-axis (EventAxis) and x-axis labels objects (EventAxisLabels) look to the TimeStamp property for their values, not the Position property. What you end up with is the clean, evenly spaced look of a simple linear chart, with the axis tick marks and axis labeling of a dedicated time/date axis. The graph can be made to scroll (or pan) left to right, or re-scale along the y-axis, smoothly.

Creating a chart using the event classes uses the same basic sequence as our other coordinate systems.

First, create the data – in this case an array of ChartEvent objects. Most of the code below is just the simulation of some raw data, taking into account a 9:30 to 16:00 working day, with no weekends.  Note that each ChartEvent object is defined using both a TimeStamp value (xvalues[i]), and a Position value (i). The value of  i controls the position of the ChartEvent object in the plot, and the value of the TimeStamp controls the x-axis tick marks and labels.

[C#]

```
double minval = 0.0, maxval = 0.0;
int incrementbase = ChartObj.MINUTE;
int increment = 10;
ChartCalendar currentdate = new ChartCalendar();
ChartEvent[] eventArray = new ChartEvent[nNumPnts];
stockPriceData[3] = 25.5;  // close
stockPriceData[0] = 24.5;   // open
stockPriceData[1] = 26;    // high
stockPriceData[2] = 24;    // low

ChartEvent currentEvent = new ChartEvent();
currentdate = ChartCalendar.CalendarDaysAdd(currentdate, 1, weekmode);
currentdate.SetTOD(9, 33, 0);
for (i = 0; i < nNumPnts; i++)
{
    double position = i + 1;
    xValues[i] = (ChartCalendar)currentdate.Clone();
    if (i > 0)
    {
        stockPriceData[3] += 2 * (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()); // close
        stockPriceData[0] += 2 * (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()); // open
        minval = Math.Min(stockPriceData[3], stockPriceData[0]);
        maxval = Math.Max(stockPriceData[3], stockPriceData[0]);
      stockPriceData[1] = maxval + 1.5 * ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble();  // high
        stockPriceData[2] = minval - 1.5 * ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble();  // low
    }

    currentEvent = new ChartEvent(xValues[i], position, stockPriceData);
    currentEvent.AxisLabel = "XXX" + position.ToString();
    currentEvent.ToolTip = "ToolTip" + position.ToString();
    eventArray[i] = currentEvent;

    currentdate.Add(incrementbase, increment);
    if (currentdate.Get(ChartObj.HOUR_OF_DAY) >= 16)
    {
        currentdate.Add(ChartObj.DAY_OF_YEAR, 1);
        currentdate.SetTOD(9, 30, 0);
    }
}
```

## [Visual Basic]

```
 Dim minval As Double = 0.0, maxval As Double = 0.0
    Dim incrementbase As Integer = ChartObj.MINUTE
    Dim increment As Integer = 10
    Dim currentdate As New ChartCalendar()
    Dim eventArray As ChartEvent() = New ChartEvent(nNumPnts - 1) {}
    stockPriceData(3) = 25.5
    ' close
    stockPriceData(0) = 24.5
    ' open
    stockPriceData(1) = 26
    ' high
    stockPriceData(2) = 24
    ' low
    Dim currentEvent As New ChartEvent()
    currentdate = ChartCalendar.CalendarDaysAdd(currentdate, 1, weekmode)
    currentdate.SetTOD(9, 33, 0)
    For i = 0 To nNumPnts - 1
        Dim position As Double = i + 1
        xValues(i) = DirectCast(currentdate.Clone(), ChartCalendar)
        If i > 0 Then
            stockPriceData(3) += 2 * (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble())
    ' close
            stockPriceData(0) += 2 * (0.5 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble())
    ' open
            minval = Math.Min(stockPriceData(3), stockPriceData(0))
            maxval = Math.Max(stockPriceData(3), stockPriceData(0))
            stockPriceData(1) = maxval + 1.5 * ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()
```

```
        ' high
        ' low
        stockPriceData(2) = minval - 1.5 * ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()
    End If

    currentEvent = New ChartEvent(xValues(i), position, stockPriceData)
    currentEvent.AxisLabel = "XXX" & position.ToString()
    currentEvent.ToolTip = "ToolTip" & position.ToString()
    eventArray(i) = currentEvent

    currentdate.Add(incrementbase, increment)
    If currentdate.[Get](ChartObj.HOUR_OF_DAY) >= 16 Then
        currentdate.Add(ChartObj.DAY_OF_YEAR, 1)
        currentdate.SetTOD(9, 30, 0)
    End If
Next
```

Create an EventSimpleDataset, or EventGroupDataset using the source data.

[C#]

```
EventGroupDataset Dataset1 = new EventGroupDataset("Stock Data", eventArray, 4);
```

[VB]

```
 Dim Dataset1 As New EventGroupDataset("Stock Data", eventArray, 4)
```

Create an EventCoordinateSystem, referencing the EventSimpleDataset as a parameter. The coordinate system is defined by the content of the EventSimpleDataset. It will auto-scale the coordinate system to the number of ChartEvents found in the source dataset.

[C#]

```
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1,ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR,  ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR);
```

[VB]
```
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1,ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR,  ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR)
```

Define the  x-axis as an EventAxis. The tick marks of the axis are defined using the TickRule property, in this case the TickRule is TICK_RULE.MINORCROSSOVEREVENT_MAJORCROSSOVEREVENT. This means a minor tick mark is placed every time the time rolls over a minor event, and a major tick mark is placed every time the time rolls over a major event. More on this later.

[C#]

```
EventAxis xAxis1 = new EventAxis(pTransform1);
xAxis1.SetColor(Color.White);
xAxis1.TickRule = ChartObj.TICK_RULE.MINORCROSSOVEREVENT_MAJORCROSSOVEREVENT;
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis1);
```

[VB]
```
Dim xAxis1 As New EventAxis(pTransform1)
```

```
xAxis1.SetColor(Color.White)
xAxis1.TickRule = ChartObj.TICK_RULE.MINORCROSSOVEREVENT_MAJORCROSSOVEREVENT
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis1)
```

Last, define the x-axis labels using the EventAxisLabels class.

[C#]

```
EventAxisLabels xAxisLab1 = new EventAxisLabels(xAxis1);
xAxisLab1.SetColor(Color.White);
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab1);
```

[VB]

```
Dim xAxisLab1 as  New EventAxisLabels(xAxis1)
xAxisLab1.SetColor(Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab1);
```

Everything else is the same as in our other charts.

Things are more complicated once you start plotting multiple, overlapping, datasets in the same coordinate system. Each ChartEvent object in the previous example had a unique Position and TimeStamp value. The software only needed to auto-scale the coordinate system for the range of ChartEvent Position values, and plot the data. If you want to plot a second dataset in the same chart, it is more complicated. If every ChartEvent object of the the second dataset uses exactly the same Position and TimeStamp values as the first, and only has different y-values, you could plot it as is. You should be able to plot the second dataset directly on top of the first, and the TimeStamps of the  ChartEvents objects would line up chronologically exactly as you would expect. The complication arises if the second dataset overlaps the first with respect to the TimeStamp values, but does NOT use exactly the same TimeStamps as the first set of data. For example, the first set of data is contains ChartEvent objects sampled at 10 minute intervals, starting at 8:30. The second dataset contains ChartEvents objects starting at 8:15 and sampled every 15 minutes. In this case some of the TimeStamp values  would match (at every ½ hour), but in every case, the Position values would be out of sync. If these two datasets were plotted as is, the TimeStamp values for the two datasets would not align with respect to the x-axis.

When multiple datasets are attached to the same EventCoordinate system, the coordinate system needs to merge and sort the ChartEvent objects of every dataset. The ChartEvents are sorted by the TimeStamp value.  It may be that many TimeStamps are duplicates, since different datasets may have used the same TimeStamps in their event data. Other TimeStamps may be singular, having occurred in only one dataset. It really doesn't matter. Next the software runs through the ChartEvents of the sorted list, assigning a new Position value to every object in the list. If adjacent ChartEvent objects in the sorted list have the same TimeStamp, they are assigned the same Position value. If the next object in the sorted list has a different TimeStamp value, it is assigned a Position value one greater than the previous ChartEvent. The net effect is that the ChartEvents with the same TimeStamp value will align properly at the same x-position in the graph, regardless of how the initial Position values were set. The EventAxis and EventAxisLabels objects,

when applied to the EventCoordinate system, will see every unique TimeStamp in the merged datasets, without double counting duplicate TimeStamp values across dataset.
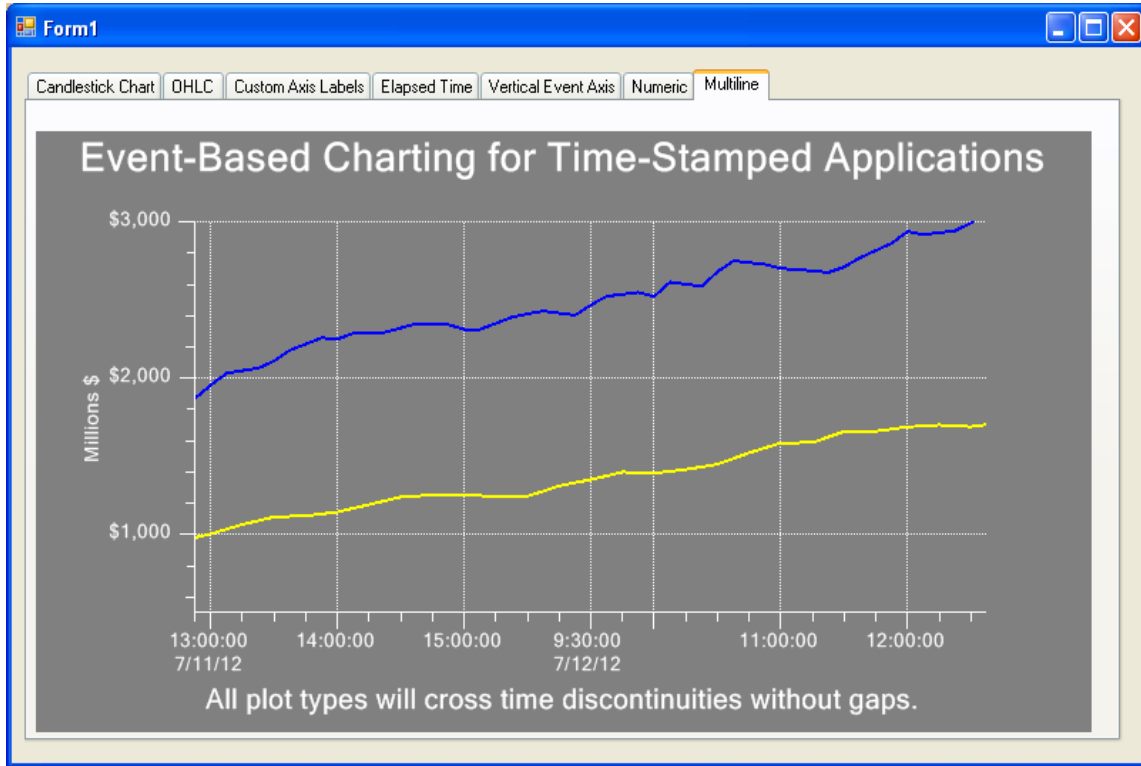


Note how the plot still captures the crossover between 16:00 7/12/12 and 9:30 7/13/12 without a gap. The same would be true if there was a weekend, or holiday, or even a lunch break, between adjacent data points.

Below is an example of how multiple datasets are attached to an EventCoordinates system.

[C#]

```
EventSimpleDataset Dataset1 = new EventSimpleDataset("Actual Sales", cev1);
EventSimpleDataset Dataset2 = new EventSimpleDataset("Forecast Sales", cev2);
EventSimpleDataset Dataset3= new EventSimpleDataset("Actual Sales", cev3);
EventSimpleDataset Dataset4 = new EventSimpleDataset("Forecast Sales", cev4);

EventSimpleDataset[] DatasetArray = { Dataset1, Dataset2, Dataset3, Dataset4 };

EventCoordinates pTransform1 = new EventCoordinates(DatasetArray);
```

[VB]

```
Dim  Dataset1 As = new EventSimpleDataset("Actual Sales", cev1)
Dim  Dataset2 = new EventSimpleDataset("Forecast Sales", cev2)
Dim  Dataset3= new EventSimpleDataset("Actual Sales", cev3)
Dim  Dataset4 = new EventSimpleDataset("Forecast Sales", cev4)
```

```
  Dim DatasetArray As EventSimpleDataset() = {Dataset1, Dataset2, Dataset3,
Dataset4}


  Dim EventCoordinates pTransform1 = new EventCoordinates(DatasetArray);
```

This method relies on the ability to detect when the time stamps of an event are equal. In the case of pure time, equality depends on the granularity you want in the display. Events can be equal at the year, month, week, day, hour, minute second and millisecond level. So, if you want events, across multiple plots, to line up by the minute, not caring for differences in seconds or milliseconds, you can do that. Set the EventCoordinates property TimeStampResolution to ChartObj.MINUTE. The default value is ChartObj.SECOND, and if you want you can set the resolution to MILLISECOND, SECOND, MINUTE, HOUR, DAY_OF_YEAR, WEEK_OF_YEAR, MONTH, or YEAR. Make sure you set the resolution to a value below that what you want to see in your data. If your data is sampled at 6 second intervals, and you want to see each value at a unique position on the x-axis, set the TimeStampResolution to SECOND. If you set it to MINUTE, all of the samples within a minute interval will be grouped together at a single Position value.

Below is an example of a chart with multiple, overlapping datasets, sampled at different resolutions.
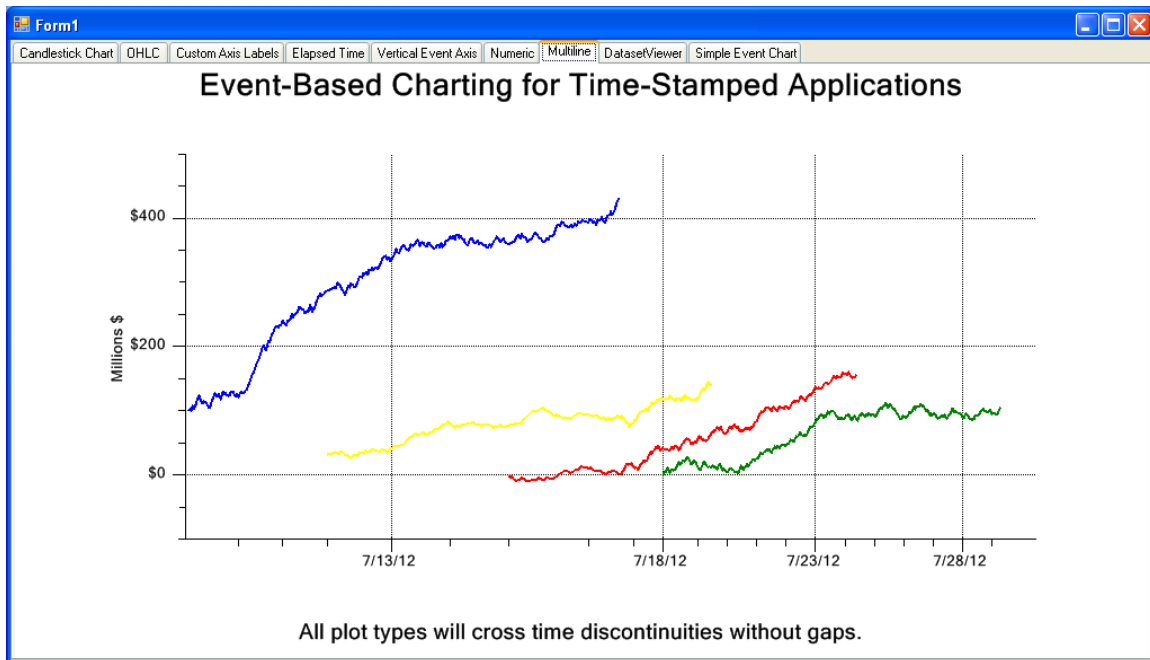


When the merged datasets have the Position values of their ChartEvent objects modified to reflect the true position of the ChartEvent in the graph, the auto-positioning starts at 1 (not 0). If 0 was used, the first data point would exactly on the edge of the clipping

window, and this would cut off half of a bar, scatter plot, candlestick, or OHLC symbol positioned in the first position. The default auto-scaling values scale the ChartCoordinates scale from 0 to N+1, where N is then number of unique ChartEvent Positon values. This way ChartEvent objects are not cut off on the left or the right.

There is a specialized axis class, EventAxis, and axis labels class, EventAxisLabels, to use with event data. Unlike our regular LinearAxis, and TimeAxis classes, which are independent of the data in the chart, the EventAxis is dependent on the underlying data. The tick marks of the EventAxis are placed at the x-position of the associated ChartEvent objects. If there are more than 10-20 ChartEvent objects in the graph, the tick mark labels would start to overlap, so we divide the tick marks into major tick marks, which are those that get a label, and minor tick marks which do not get a label. Further, if there are more than 100-200 ChartEvent objects in the graph, then the tick marks may start to overlap. So the software has the option of drawing a minor, or a major tick mark, every Nth event, to keep them from overlapping. Most of this is taken care of by the auto-axis routines. Though it is possible you do not like the results – you can't please everybody. So, once the axis is created you can modify the appearance by adjusting the following properties.

Regardless of how you initially setup the graph, if you use the zoom routines, or the RTScrollFrame routines in the QCRTGraph software, the look of the axes will always revert to our auto-scaling, not your modified setup. Because we cannot predict what you will do, and cannot scale a completely different range of values  based on whatever logic you use.

**TickRule** – Controls the tick mark logic of the axis. User one of the TICK_RULE enumeration constants:

> NO_TICKS – do not display any tick marks. No tick marks means no axis labels.

> MINOREVENT_MAJOREVENT – display a minor tick mark every AxisMinorNthTick  event, and a major tick mark every AxisMinorTicksPerMajor.

> MAJOREVENT  - display a major tick mark every  AxisMajorNthTick  event.

> MINORCROSSOVEREVENT_MAJORCROSSOVEREVENT – display a minor tick mark every  AxisMinorNthTick,  minor crossover event, and a major tick mark every  AxisMajorNthTick  major crossover event. The minor and major crossover events are controlled by the MajorTickCrossoverEvent and MinorTickCrossoverEvent properties of the EventAxis.

The  default is ChartObj.TICK_RULE.MINORCROSSOVEREVENT_MAJORCROSSOVEREVENT.

The term crossover event means that a field of date/time timestamp changes. If you specify a  MinorTickCrossoverEvent of ChartObj.SECOND, and an  AxisMinorNthTick

of 15, this will cause a minor tick mark to be displayed every 15th second, if an event falls within that range. So, if your events are spaced approximately 5 seconds apart, you will get a minor tick mark for approximately every three events. If you choose a MajorTickCrossoverEvent of ChartObj.MINUTE and an AxisMajorNthTick of 1, this will cause a major tick mark to be displayed every minute, if an event falls within that range. Tick marks only show up on an event, so if there are no events within the time interval, no tick mark will appear.

Every tick mark can have a custom label. So if you do not want to use the default time/date labels, but instead want label the event tick marks with a custom string, you can do that. The string will track the exact tick mark associated with a given event. This makes scrolling through the data easier, because the custom tick mark strings stick to the tick mark, and don't have to be recalculated.



After scrolling the data to the left:

If you plan to implement scrolling (panning) along the x-axis, using a scroll bar, or some other method, you need to know how to re-scale the x-scale EventCoordinate system. First, understand that the underlying coordinate system is a Cartesian coordinate system, with the x-axis scaled from 0 to the number of ChartEvent objects with unique time stamps. Because a simple linear scale is used for the x-axis, you can scale the x-axis using simple linear values (0 to number of ChartEvent objects ). In that case you use the EventCoordinates.ScaleStartX and EventCoordinates.ScaleStopX properties. The code below is extracted from the **ChartEventExamples.OHLCEventChart** example program.

[C#]

```csharp
public void UpdateScaleAndAxesUsingEventIndex(int startindex)
 {

    pTransform1.ScaleStartX = startindex;
    pTransform1.ScaleStopX = startindex + numberEventsInView - 1;

    pTransform2.ScaleStartX = startindex;
    pTransform2.ScaleStopX = startindex + numberEventsInView - 1;

    pTransform3.ScaleStartX = startindex;
    pTransform3.ScaleStopX = startindex + numberEventsInView - 1;

    xAxis1.CalcAutoAxis();
    yAxis1.CalcAutoAxis();
    xAxisLab1.CalcAutoAxisLabels();
    yAxisLab1.CalcAutoAxisLabels();
```

```
    xAxis2.CalcAutoAxis();
    xAxis2.SetAxisIntercept(pTransform2.GetStopY());
    xAxis2.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MAX);

    yAxis2.CalcAutoAxis();
    yAxisLab2.CalcAutoAxisLabels();

    yAxis3.CalcAutoAxis();
    yAxisLab3.CalcAutoAxisLabels();
    yAxis3.SetAxisIntercept(pTransform3.GetStopX());
    yAxis3.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MAX);

    this.UpdateDraw();
}
```

## [VB]

```
Public Sub UpdateScaleAndAxesUsingEventIndex(ByVal startindex As Integer)

  pTransform1.ScaleStartX = startindex
  pTransform1.ScaleStopX = startindex + numberEventsInView - 1

  pTransform2.ScaleStartX = startindex
  pTransform2.ScaleStopX = startindex + numberEventsInView - 1

  pTransform3.ScaleStartX = startindex
  pTransform3.ScaleStopX = startindex + numberEventsInView - 1


  xAxis1.CalcAutoAxis()
  yAxis1.CalcAutoAxis()
  xAxisLab1.CalcAutoAxisLabels()
  yAxisLab1.CalcAutoAxisLabels()

  xAxis2.CalcAutoAxis()
  xAxis2.SetAxisIntercept(pTransform2.GetStopY())
  xAxis2.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MAX)

  yAxis2.CalcAutoAxis()
  yAxisLab2.CalcAutoAxisLabels()

  yAxis3.CalcAutoAxis()
  yAxisLab3.CalcAutoAxisLabels()
  yAxis3.SetAxisIntercept(pTransform3.GetStopX())
  yAxis3.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MAX)

  Me.UpdateDraw()
End Sub
```

It may be that you want to specify date/times for the starting and ending values of the x-axis, instead of a simple index. In that case you use the EventCoordinates.TimeScaleStart and EventCoordinates.TimeScaleStop properties. Those methods use a binary search algorithm to search for the ChartEvent closest to the desired date.time. It then uses the ChartEvent at that index to establish the x-axis scale. The code below is extracted from the **ChartEventExamples.OHLCEventChart** example program.

[C#]

```
public void UpdateScaleAndAxesUsingDates(int startindex)
{
    ChartCalendar startdate = (ChartCalendar) datastartdate.Clone();
    ChartCalendar  stopdate = new ChartCalendar();
    startdate.Add(ChartCalendar.DAY_OF_YEAR,startindex);
    stopdate = (ChartCalendar) startdate.Clone();
    stopdate.Add(ChartObj.MONTH,1);

    pTransform1.TimeScaleStart = startdate;
    pTransform1.TimeScaleStop = stopdate;

    pTransform2.TimeScaleStart = startdate;
    pTransform2.TimeScaleStop = stopdate;

    pTransform3.TimeScaleStart = startdate;
    pTransform3.TimeScaleStop = stopdate;

    xAxis1.CalcAutoAxis();
    yAxis1.CalcAutoAxis();
    xAxisLab1.CalcAutoAxisLabels();
    yAxisLab1.CalcAutoAxisLabels();

    xAxis2.CalcAutoAxis();
    xAxis2.SetAxisIntercept(pTransform2.GetStopY());
    xAxis2.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MAX);
```

```
    yAxis2.CalcAutoAxis();
    yAxisLab2.CalcAutoAxisLabels();

    yAxis3.CalcAutoAxis();
    yAxisLab3.CalcAutoAxisLabels();
    yAxis3.SetAxisIntercept(pTransform3.GetStopX());
    yAxis3.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MAX);

    this.UpdateDraw();
}
```

[VB]

```
Public Sub UpdateScaleAndAxesUsingDates(ByVal startindex As Integer)
    Dim startdate As ChartCalendar = DirectCast(datastartdate.Clone(),
ChartCalendar)
    Dim stopdate As New ChartCalendar()

    startdate.Add(ChartCalendar.DAY_OF_YEAR, startindex)
    stopdate = DirectCast(startdate.Clone(), ChartCalendar)
    stopdate.Add(ChartObj.MONTH, 1)

    pTransform1.TimeScaleStart = startdate
    pTransform1.TimeScaleStop = stopdate

    pTransform2.TimeScaleStart = startdate
    pTransform2.TimeScaleStop = stopdate

    pTransform3.TimeScaleStart = startdate
    pTransform3.TimeScaleStop = stopdate

    xAxis1.CalcAutoAxis()
    yAxis1.CalcAutoAxis()
    xAxisLab1.CalcAutoAxisLabels()
    yAxisLab1.CalcAutoAxisLabels()

    xAxis2.CalcAutoAxis()
    xAxis2.SetAxisIntercept(pTransform2.GetStopY())
    xAxis2.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MAX)

    yAxis2.CalcAutoAxis()
    yAxisLab2.CalcAutoAxisLabels()

    yAxis3.CalcAutoAxis()
    yAxisLab3.CalcAutoAxisLabels()
    yAxis3.SetAxisIntercept(pTransform3.GetStopX())
    yAxis3.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MAX)

    Me.UpdateDraw()
End Sub
```

If you specify a date/time value which is an exact match for one of the date/values of a ChartEvent, then the ChartEvent Position property becomes the scale value. If it is not an exact match, then the binary search for the closest date/time rounds down to the nearest ChartEvent for the TimeScaleStart property, and rounds up for the TimeScaleStop property.

When using the time/date values for scaling an EventCoordinate system, you cannot set a time/date value not bounded by the range of values found in the attached datasets. In other words, you cannot create datasets using ChartEvents that use time/date values in 2011, and try and scale the x-axis for a range of 2011 to 2013. The largest value you can scale the x-axis for is the time/date value of the ChartEvent with the largest (or latest) time stamp value. The only time/date values which exist in a EventCoordinates based

coordinate system are the time stamps of the ChartEvents in the datasets attached to the coordinate systems. Other times and dates do not exist unless you add a ChartEvent containing the date/time to one of the attached datasets.

# Polar Coordinate Systems

## Class PolarCoordinates

**PhysicalCoordinates**
```
      |
     +-- CartesianCoordinates
              |
             +-- PolarCoordinates
```

The magnitude and the polar angle of a point define its position in a chart scaled for polar coordinates. The magnitude can have any value greater than 0.0 and the polar angle any positive or negative value. A polar angle range of 0 to 2 pi radians (0 to 360 degrees) sweeps a complete circle in polar coordinates.

A polar coordinate system uses a Cartesian coordinate system scaled for plus/minus the polar magnitude.  The following equations convert from polar coordinates to Cartesian coordinates.

x       =       magnitude * cos (angle)

y       =       magnitude * sine (angle)

*magnitude*              Polar coordinate magnitude

*angle*                 Plot coordinate angle

*x*                      Cartesian x-coordinate

*y*                      Cartesian y-coordinate

The **PolarCoordinates** class is an extension of the **CartesianCoordinates** class and it automatically handles these conversions. The only important parameter that needed for the creation of a **PolarCoordinates** object is the polar magnitude, since the polar angle always has a range 0 to 2 pi radians (0 to 360 degrees).

**PolarCoordinates constructors**

The first way to create a **PolarCoordinates** object is to use the constructor that specifies the polar magnitude directly.

[C#]

```
double polarmagnitude = 5.0;
PolarCoordinates polarscale = new PolarCoordinates(polarmagnitude);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim polarmagnitude As Double = 5.0
Dim polarscale AS PolarCoordinates = New PolarCoordinates(polarmagnitude)
```

Or you can use an auto-scale routine to analyze a dataset and select the appropriate polar magnitude.

[C#]

```
double []angleData = {.20,.60,1.40,1.70,2.50,4.0,5.0, 6.0};   // In Radians
double []magnitudeData = { 20, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 54, 64};
SimpleDataset dataset = new SimpleDataset("Control", angleData, magnitudeData);
PolarCoordinates pPolarTransform = new PolarCoordinates();
pPolarTransform.AutoScale(dataset, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim angleData() As Double = {0.2, 0.6, 1.4, 1.7, 2.5, 4.0, 5.0, 6.0} ' In Radians
Dim magnitudeData() As Double = {20, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 54, 64}
Dim dataset As SimpleDataset = _
        New SimpleDataset("Control", angleData, magnitudeData)
Dim pPolarTransform As PolarCoordinates = New PolarCoordinates()
pPolarTransform.AutoScale(dataset, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
```

# Antenna Coordinate Systems

## Class AntennaCoordinates
**PhysicalCoordinates**
```
      |
    +-- CartesianCoordinates
          |
        +-- AntennaCoordinates
```

An antenna coordinate's point is defined by its radial and angular values. The radial and angle values can be positive or negative. An angle range of 0 to 360 degrees clockwise, starting at 12:00, sweeps a complete circle in antenna coordinates.

**AntennaCoordinates** are defined by specifying a starting and ending value for the radius. Unlike a polar chart, these values can be positive or negative. Antenna coordinates always have an angular range 0 to 360 degrees.

**AntennaCoordinates constructors**

The first way to create a **AntennaCoordinates** object is to use the constructor that specifies the minimum and maximum values of the radius:
**AntennaCoordinates(minvalue, maxvalue).**

[C#]

```
double minvalue = -40;
double maxvalue = 20;

AntennaCoordinates antennacoords = new AntennaCoordinates (minvalue, maxvalue);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim minvalue As Double = -40
Dim maxvalue As Double = 20

Dim antennacoords As AntennaCoordinates = new AntennaCoordinates (minvalue,
maxvalue)
```

Or you can use an auto-scale routine to analyze a dataset and select the appropriate antenna radius limits.

[C#]

```
double []angleData = {0, 30, 60, 90, 120, 150, 180};   // In degrees
double []radiusData = { -35, -31, -5, 12, 14, -14, -30};
SimpleDataset dataset = new SimpleDataset("Control", angleData, radiusData);
AntennaCoordinates antennacoords = new AntennaCoordinates ();
antennacoords.AutoScale(dataset, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim angleData() As Double = {0, 30, 60, 90, 120, 150, 180} ' In degrees
Dim radiusData () As Double = {-35, -31, -5, 12, 14, -14, -30}
Dim dataset As SimpleDataset = _
        New SimpleDataset("Control", angleData, radiusData)
Dim antennacoords As AntennaCoordinates = New AntennaCoordinates ()
antennacoords.AutoScale(dataset, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
```

# Miscellaneous Coordinate System Topics

## Inverted Coordinate Systems

Charts that use linear, logarithmic and time coordinate systems usually follow the convention that values increase as you move from left to right and from bottom to top. This is not always the case though. Many standard charts that users want to reproduce on the computer have the x-scale, the y-scale, or both, increase as you move from right to left and from top to bottom.

Invert the x- and/or y-scales by swapping the scale starting and ending vaues in the call to the **CartesianCoordinates** or the **TimeCoordinates** constructor.

**Example of inverted x-scale using the CartesianCoordinates constructor**

[C#]

```
double xMin = -5;
double xMax = 15;
double yMin = 0;
double yMax =  15;

CartesianCoordinates simpleScale;
simpleScale = new CartesianCoordinates(xMax, yMin, xMin, yMax);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xMin As Double = -5
Dim xMax As Double = 15
Dim yMin As Double = 0
Dim yMax AS double =  15

Dim simpleScale As CartesianCoordinates
simpleScale = New CartesianCoordinates(xMax, yMin, xMin, yMax)
```

Use the **CartesianCoordinates.SetCoordinateBounds** method in the same manner. The example below inverts the y-scale.

```
simpleScale.SetCoordinateBounds(xMin, yMax, xMax, yMin)
```

Invert the x- and y-scale of a **TimeCoordinates** object in an analogous fashion.

**Example of inverted scaling using a TimeCoordinates constructor**

[C#]

```
ChartCalendar xMin = new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,  5);
ChartCalendar xMax = new ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY,  5);
double yMin = 0;
double yMax =  15;

TimeCoordinates simpleTimeScale;
simpleTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates(xMax, yMin, xMin, yMax);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xMin As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,  5)
Dim xMax As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY,  5)
Dim yMin As Double = 0
Dim yMax As Double =  15

Dim simpleTimeScale As TimeCoordinates
simpleTimeScale = New TimeCoordinates(xMax, yMin, xMin, yMax)
```

Use the **TimeCoordinates.SetCoordinateBounds** method in the same manner. The example below inverts the y-scale.

[C#]

```
TimeCoordinates simpleTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates();
simpleTimeScale.SetCoordinateBounds(xMin, yMax, xMax, yMin);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim simpleTimeScale As TimeCoordinates = New TimeCoordinates()
simpleTimeScale.SetCoordinateBounds(xMin, yMax, xMax, yMin);
```

The auto-scale functions always create scales that increase from left to right, and bottom to top. This does not exclude the use of the auto-scale functions when creating inverted axes. After an auto-scale function creates the initial x- and y-scales, either or both can be inverted by using the **CartesianCoordinates** or **TimeCoordinates InvertScaleX** or **InvertScaleY** methods.

**Example of inverting a scale created using the auto-scale methods**
[C#]

```
double [] xData = {2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9};
double [] yData = { 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14};

SimpleDataset dataset = new SimpleDataset("Sales", xData, yData);
CartesianCoordinates simpleScale  = new CartesianCoordinates();
simpleScale.AutoScale(dataset);
simpleScale.InvertScaleY();
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xData() As Double = {2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9}
Dim yData() As Double = { 22, 33, 44, 55, 46, 33, 25, 14}

Dim dataset As SimpleDataset = New SimpleDataset("Sales", xData, yData)
Dim simpleScale As CartesianCoordinates = New CartesianCoordinates()
simpleScale.AutoScale(dataset)
simpleScale.InvertScaleY()
```

# 5. The Chart View

**ChartView**

The starting point of a chart is the **ChartView** class. The **ChartView** class derives from the **System.Windows.Forms.UserControl,** where the **Forms** class is the base class for the .Net collection of standard components such as menus, buttons, check boxes, etc. The **ChartView** class contains a collection of all the chart objects displayed in the chart and will automatically update all chart objects when the underlying window moves, resizes, or otherwise needs to redraw in response to a **UserControl** paint event. Since a **ChartView** derived window is a **UserControl**, it can also be used as a container for any .Net component that can be placed and positioned in **UserControl** windows using a .Net layout managers.

**UserControl**
```
      |
      +-- ChartView
```

The **ChartView** class has only one constructor with no arguments.

 **ChartView constructor**
```
[Visual Basic]
Public Class ChartView
Inherits UserControl
[C#]
public class ChartView : UserControl
```

All chart objects that have a graphical representation, i.e. that consist of lines, bars, arcs, text, etc., are subclasses of the **GraphObj** abstract base class. This includes all of the axis classes, axis label classes, plot classes, text classes and legend classes among others. You must explicitly add objects of this type to the **ChartView** object, using the **ChartView.AddChartObject** method, after they have been created and initialized. Otherwise, the object will not be included in the draw list of the **ChartView**. The example below adds an axis object to the **ChartView** draw list.

**ChartView.AddChartObject example (extracted from the example program LabeledDatapoints, class LabeledDatapoints)**

[C#]

```
ChartView chartVu = new ChartView();
SimpleDataset Dataset1 = new SimpleDataset("First",x1,y1);
CartesianCoordinates  pTransform1 =
```

```
    new CartesianCoordinates( ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE);
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, .15, .90, 0.8) ;
xAxis = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.X_AXIS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()
Dim Dataset1 As New SimpleDataset("First", x1, y1)
Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates( ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, _
             ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, 0.15, 0.9, 0.7)
Dim xAxis As New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.X_AXIS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)
```

# Rendering Order of GraphObj Objects

Each **GraphObj** object is added as an element to an **ArrayList** object inside the **ChartView** class. When the chart view is rendered, it runs through the **GraphObj** objects stored in the list and renders them one by one to the current view. There are two ordering methods used to render chart objects. The first method renders the objects in order, as added to the **ChartView** object. Objects added to the view last are drawn on top of objects added first. The second method renders the objects according to their z-order. Objects with the lowest z-order values are rendered first. Objects with equal z-order values are rendered in the ordered they are added to the **ChartView** object. The second method (z-order rendering) is the default method of object rendering used by the **ChartView** class. This default behavior can be changed by call the **ChartView.SetZOrderSortEnable(false**) method.

Each **GraphObj** object has a default z-order value, summarized below.

| Base Class | Default z-order value | Comments |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Background** | 10 | Backgrounds are drawn first. A plot area background has a z-value of 10 and a graph area background has a z-value of 9, forcing graph area backgrounds to be drawn first. |
| **Grid** | 40 | A z-value of 40 places grids under most other graph objects. If you want grids on top change the z-value to 150. |
| **GraphObj** | 50 | The default value for graph objects if not explicitly changed in the subclass. |
| **ChartText** | 50 | The default value for text objects. |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **ChartPlot** | 50 | The default value for plot objects which includes **SimplePlot**, **GroupPlot**, **ContourPlot**, **PolarPlot,** and **AntennaPlot** objects. |
| **Axis** | 100 | Chart axes are drawn after data plots |
| **AxisLabels** | 100 | Axes labels are drawn with same priority as axes |
| **Legend** | 150 | Legend objects usually sit on top of all other graph objects and are drawn last |

You can change the default z-order value on an object-by-object basis. Call the **GraphObj.SetZOrder** method to change the z-order for any given object.

The example below sets the z-order value of the x-axis to 30, changing the drawing order so that the x-axis draws before, and is therefore underneath, any **Grid** and **ChartPlot** objects in the view.

[C#]

```
ChartView chartVu = new ChartView();

LinearAxis xAxis = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.X_AXIS);
xAxis.SetZOrder(30);
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()

Dim xAxis As LinearAxis = New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.X_AXIS)
xAxis.SetZOrder(30)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)
```

## Dynamic or Real-Time Updates of Chart Objects

If you want to change the properties of one or more **GraphObj** derived objects displayed in the current graph, just go ahead and change them using the appropriate Get and Set methods. Once you change all of the properties that you want, call the **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method. This will force the **ChartView** object to update, redrawing every object in its draw list. See the example below.

[C#]

```
ChartView chartVu = new ChartView();

LinearAxis xAxis = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.X_AXIS);
```

```
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);
.
.
.
xAxis.SetColor(Color.Red);
chartVu.UpdateDraw();
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()

Dim xAxis As LinearAxis = New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.X_AXIS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)
.
.
.
xAxis.SetColor(Color.Red)
chartVu.UpdateDraw()
```

You can change the values of a dataset, or even change the complete dataset of a chart plot object. Changing the values of the dataset will not show in the current graph until the **ChartView** repaints. Call the **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method to force a repaint. See the example programs DynPieChart and ScrollingMixedPlot. The auto-scale methods are not automatically invoked if you change the values of dataset. If you want the graph to rescale taking into account the new data values you must call the appropriate autoscale methods of the coordinate system and of the related axes objects.

The chart classes that are NOT subclasses of **GraphObj** do not have a physical representation in a graph, so do not try to add them to the **ChartView** draw list. This includes the coordinate conversion classes, the dataset classes and all of the utility classes. The **GraphObj** and **ChartView** classes use these utility classes for coordinate conversions, data storage, math calculations and I/O.

Delete a specific chart object from the **ChartView** draw list using the **ChartView.DeleteChartObject** method. Clear the entire draw list using the **ChartView.ResetChartObjectList** method. You can leave an object in the **ChartView** draw list but disable its display by calling that objects **GraphObj.SetChartObjEnable** method. If you disable an object, you will still need to call the **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method to redraw the chart without that object.

# Placing Multiple Charts in a ChartView

One way to create multiple charts is to create multiple instances of the **ChartView** class and add each **ChartView** object to a .Net container object such as a **UserControl**. A .Net layout manager manages the position and size of each **ChartView**. Another way is to place multiple charts in the same **ChartView** object. This makes it easier to guarantee alignment between the axes of separate graphs. The trick to doing this is to create separate coordinate system objects (**CartesianCoordinates**, **TimeCoordinates,**

**PolarCoordinates,** or **AntennaCoordinates**) for each chart, and to position the plot area of each coordinate system so that they do not overlap. Use one of the coordinate systems **SetGraphBorder**… methods. Many of the examples use this technique, including GroupBarPlotChart, DoubleBarPlot, OHLFinPlot, FinOptions, DynPieChart, PieAndLineChart and PieAndBarChart.

**Multiple charts in a ChartView example (extracted from the example program FinancialExamples, class OHLCChart)**

[C#]

```
pTransform1 = new TimeCoordinates();
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, .15, .90, 0.6) ;

pTransform2 = new TimeCoordinates();
pTransform2.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, .7, .90, 0.875) ;
```

[Visual Basic]

```
pTransform1 = New TimeCoordinates()
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, .15, .90, 0.6)
pTransform2 = New TimeCoordinates()
pTransform2.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, .7, .90, 0.875)
```

# Multiple Coordinate Systems in the Same Chart

Often a chart needs more than one coordinate system to in order to support multiple x- and y-axes, each with different scales. As in the preceding section, this involves creating multiple coordinate systems. The plot areas for the coordinate systems can occupy separate space in the chart view, or they can overlap at the exact same position. As in the previous section, the position of each coordinate systems plot area in the chart view is set using one of the coordinate systems **SetGraphBorder**… methods. Many of the examples use this technique, including OHLFinPlot, MultiAxes, LinearAxes, LogAxes and DateAxes1 and DateAxes2.

**Multiple coordinate systems in a ChartView example**

[C#]

```
double xMin1 = -5;
double xMax1 = 15;
double yMin1 = 0;
double yMax1 =  105;
CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
        new CartesianCoordinates(xMin1, yMin1, xMax1, yMax1);
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, .15, .90, 0.6) ;

double xMin2 = -50;
```

```
double xMax2 = 150;
double yMin2 = 0;
double yMax2 =  1050;
CartesianCoordinates pTransform2 =
        new CartesianCoordinates(xMin2, yMin2, xMax2, yMax2);
pTransform2.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, .15, .90, 0.6) ;
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xMin1 As Double = -5
Dim xMax1 As Double = 15
Dim yMin1 As Double = 0
Dim yMax1 As Double =  105
Dim pTransform1 As CartesianCoordinates = _
        New CartesianCoordinates(xMin1, yMin1, xMax1, yMax1)
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, .15, .90, 0.6)

Dim xMin2 As Double = -50
Dim xMax2 As Double = 150
Dim yMin2 As Double = 0
Dim yMax2 As Double =  105
Dim pTransform2 As CartesianCoordinates = _
        New CartesianCoordinates(xMin2, yMin2, xMax2, yMax2)
pTransform2.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, .15, .90, 0.6)
```

# ChartView Object Resize Modes

Every **GraphObj** object has absolute size properties, such as font size or line thickness. Resize a window and these absolute size parameters are NOT changed. No matter how you resize a chart, if you set a text object to a font size of 10, the text object will always return a font size of 10, *regardless if the text now appears larger or smaller*. Instead, the value of the **resizeMultiplier** adjusts to represent the proportional change in the window size. In calculating the font size and the line thickness, the current size properties are multiplied by the **resizeMultiplier**. The initial value of the **resizeMultiplier** is 1.0 and the objects size properties correspond exactly to the initial settings. Shrink the **ChartView** window and the **resizeMultiplier** for each object is set to a value that is less than 1.0. Enlarge the window and the **resizeMultiplier** is set to a value greater than 1.0. The **ChartView** class has three resize modes that it can use to resize graph objects placed in the graph.

| | |
|---|---|
| NO_RESIZE_OBJECTS | The **resizeMultiplier** stays fixed at 1.0. Resizing the graph window does not affect the size and thickness of the charts graph objects. Text will stay the same size and lines will stay the same thickness. The overall chart shrinks; it is just that size of the chart text and the thickness of the chart lines do not change. Resize the window small enough and the chart text will overlap and the lines used to draw the chart will look thick when compared to the chart size. |
| AUTO_RESIZE_OBJECTS | Resizing the graph window causes the size and thickness of the charts graph objects to resize. The auto-resize algorithm looks at which dimension changed the most (x or y) and |

uses the larger of the two changes to calculate new sizes for lines and text. Text and lines will shrink the same percentage. Resize the chart window with a minimum change in the charts aspect ratio, the change in the chart size will be very close to the change in the font size and line thickness. If the charts aspect ratio changes drastically, the font size and line thickness will resize to reflect the dimension that was *reduced* the most. This minimizes the condition where text overlaps, though it may make the text unreadable if the chart size changes from large to a small with a large aspect ratio change.

MANUAL_RESIZE_OBJECTS

The **resizeMultiplier** for each object has an initial value of 1.0. Unlike the NO_RESIZE_OBJECTS mode, the value can be changed. The programmer must explicitly set the **resizeMultiplier** for any objects requiring a size change, using the **GraphObj.SetResizeMultiplier** method.

# ChartView View Modes

A **ChartView** window can interact with a parent container, creating a couple of interesting view modes. The first is to place the **ChartView** object in a Windows Form. Size the **ChartView** window larger than the Form window size and the Form frame acts as a "porthole" through which the **ChartView** window is viewed. Resizing the Form frame has no effect on the size of **ChartView** object within. If the Form frame is smaller than the size of the **ChartView** window then the lower right portion of the **ChartView** window is not visible. If the Form frame is larger than the **ChartView** window, the lower right portion of the window just shows empty space.

Another interesting technique is to place a fixed size **ChartView** object in a Windows Form that has the AutoScroll property set to true. The size of the **ChartView** window can much larger than the Form window size. Place the chart in a form that has the AutoScroll property set to true. The auto-scroll feature of the Form displays scroll bars when the chart object is larger than the containing form. The scroll bars permit the user to pan left, right, up and down to view the portion of the **ChartView** window that is outside of the clipping limits of the Form window. See the FixedSizeScrollable tab of the ResizeExamples program for an example.

There are many more variations. Just remember that the **ChartView** class is a **UserControl** derived class and it can be used anywhere a **UserControl** object can be used, utilizing standard or specialized .Net layout managers.

# Finding Chart Objects

The **ChartView** class is the central container class of the chart library. It keeps track of all of the objects in the chart. It includes a routine that can compare a test point against all of the objects in the chart and return an instance of an object that intersects the test point. The search can be restricted to a class and all subclasses of the specified class.

## FindObj method

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Function FindObj( _
   ByVal testpoint As Point2D, _
   ByVal classname As String _
) As GraphObj
[C#]
public GraphObj FindObj(
   Point2D testpoint,
   string classname
);
```

## Parameters

If the graph has multiple overlapping objects of the same type, you can return the $n^{th}$ object intersecting the test point.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Function FindObj( _
   ByVal testpoint As Point2D, _
   ByVal classname As String, _
   ByVal nthhit As Integer _
) As GraphObj
[C#]
public GraphObj FindObj(
   Point2D testpoint,
   string classname,
   int nthhit
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *testpoint* | The current position of the mouse in .Net device coordinates. |
| *classname* | The class name of the base class that is used to filter the desired class objects. The string "ChartPlot" would cause the routine to return only objects derived from the **ChartPlot** class. |
| *nthhit* | Specifies to return the $n^{th}$ object that intersects the test point. A value of 0 signifies that the first object found is returned, a value of 1 specifies that the second item found is returned, and so on. |

The function returns a reference to the found object, or null if unsuccessful.

# 6. Colors, Gradients and Backgrounds

## Class ChartAttribute

**ChartObj**
    |
    +-- **ChartAttribute**


All graphical object derived from our abstract **GraphObj** class include an instance of the **ChartAttribute** class. This class encapsulates common graphical line and fill style characteristics into a single class. If a graphical object is line based, it can have a line color, line style and a line thickness. Line based graphical objects include line-based plots (SimpleLinePlot, MultiLinePlot, OHLCPlot) all types of axes, and all types of text. If an object is area based, it can have a solid fill color, or a gradient of fill colors, or possibly a texture. The fill color fills the interior of the area object. Most area fill objects also use line attributes to define the color and line thickness of the outline of the area object. A bar can have an outline color different from the interior fill color. All of the bar graph plot types, scatter plot types, and pie charts are example of graphical objects which use the area fill solid color


### ChartAttribute constructors

Use the constructor below for simple line and fill attributes. There are similar constructors with fewer parameters if all you want to do is set a line color, or a line color with a line thickness.

[Visual Basic]
```
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal rgbcolor As Color, _
   ByVal rlinewidth As Double, _
   ByVal nlinestyle As DashStyle, _
   ByVal rgbfillcolor As Color _
)
```
[C#]
```
public ChartAttribute(
   Color rgbcolor,
   double rlinewidth,
   DashStyle nlinestyle,
   Color rgbfillcolor
);
```


*rgbcolor*      The primary line and text color.

*rlinewidth*     The line width for all lines
*nlinestyle*     The line style for all lines.
*rgbfillcolor*   The fill color for solid objects

[C#]

```
ChartAttribute attrib1 =
            new ChartAttribute (Color.Blue, 3,ChartObj.DashStyle.Solid.);
SimpleLinePlot thePlot1 =
            new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, attrib1);
thePlot1.SetLineStyle(DashDot);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 3, DashStyle.Solid)
Dim thePlot1 As SimpleLinePlot = _
        New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, attrib1)
thePlot1.SetLineStyle(DashStyle.DashDot)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

All of the **ChartAttribute** constructors assume you are using a solid area fill color. If you want to use a gradient, you need to attach a **ChartGradient** object to the **ChartAttribute**. The **ChartGradient** object will specify the defining range of colors for the gradient, the breakpoints for the gradient colors, and the mapping mode for mapping the breakpoints to the current chart.

# Class ChartGradient

**ChartObj**
    |
      **+-- ChartGradient**

All **ChartAttribute** objects include a reference to a **ChartGradient** object. Normally this reference is null, signifying that line and area fills work exactly the same as before. If the **ChartGradient** reference is not null, the color definitions in the **ChartGradient** take precedence over the fill color of the **ChartAttribute**.  Any area fill object can have a gradient of two or more colors mapped to it. The colors are mapped to the area fill object using an array of breakpoints, one for each color, that define the transition points for one color to the next. The values of the breakpoints are interpreted according to one of four different mapping modes:

## GRADIENT_MAPTO_OBJECT

In this mapping mode, the breakpoints are expected to be in the range of 0.0 to 1.0. The break points are applied as percentages to the area fill object. The value 0.0 corresponds to the start of the area fill object and the value 1.0 corresponds to the end of the area fill object. It does not matter how large or small the area fill object is, all of the gradient colors will map to that object. This mapping mode would normally used with just two colors, though it will work with an unlimited number of colors.

*GRADIENT_MAPTO_OBJECT applied to a simple bar graph*
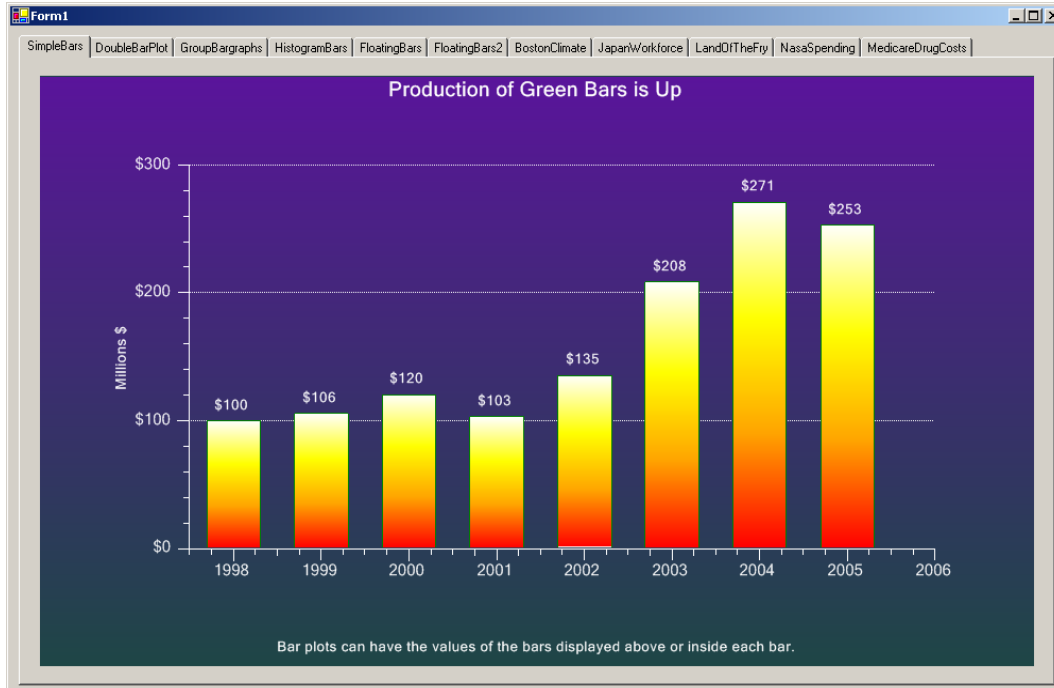


Note how in this example, each bar displays the full range of colors (red, orange, yellow, and white), regardless of the bar height.

## GRADIENT_MAPTO_PLOT_PHYSICAL_COORDINATES

In this mapping mode, the breakpoints are expected to be in the range of the physical coordinate system of the plot area of the chart. If the y-scale of the coordinate system has been scaled for 0 – 50,000, then the breakpoints are expected to be in the range of 0-50,000. This allows for the most interesting gradient effects. If you define your gradient breakpoints as extending from 0-50,000, and you plot a bar that is only 10,000 high, only the lower 20% of the gradient will be visible. This way, you can have bars change color as they increase in value. The best analogy would be if you were plotting temperature in a bar graph. As the temperature increases, and the height of the bar, the bar would display as a color gradient. The color gradient would transition from a dull red color, through orange, yellow and finally white, representing the highest color breakpoint.

*GRADIENT_MAPTO_PLOT_PHYSICAL_COORDINATES applied to a simple bar graph*
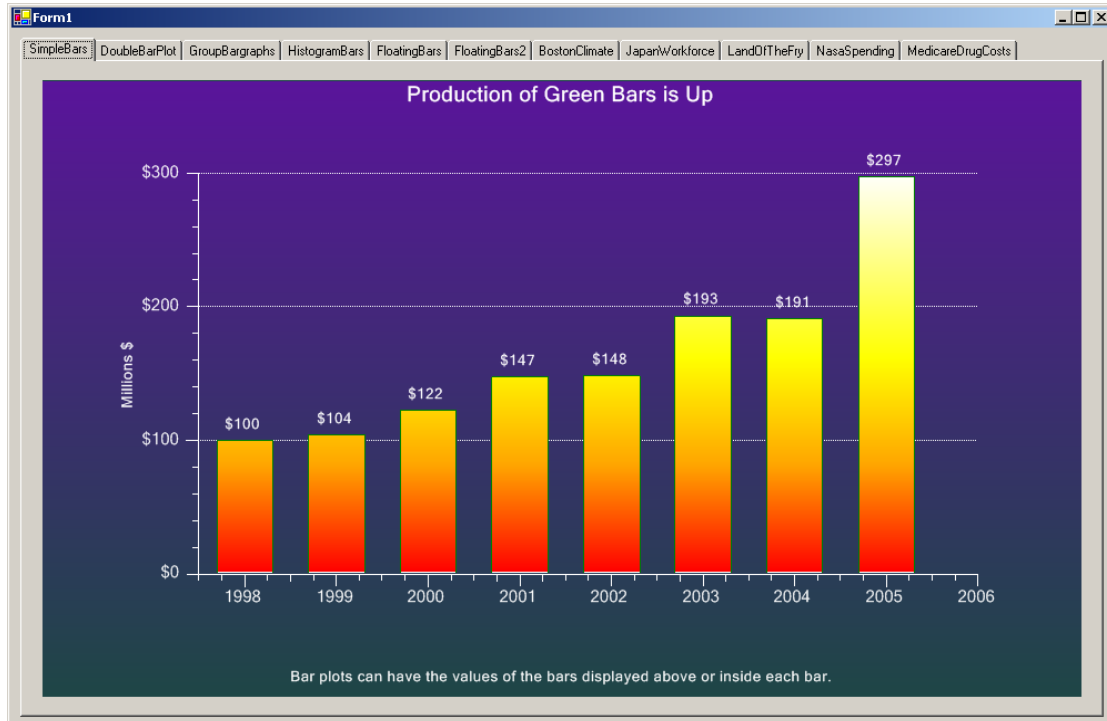
Note how in this example, the range of colors in each bar (red, orange, yellow, and white), depends on the bar height.

## GRADIENT_MAPTO_PLOT_NORMALIZED_COORDINATES

In this mapping mode, the breakpoints are expected to be in the range of 0.0 to 1.0. The break points are applied as percentages to the plot area. The value 0.0 corresponds to the start of the plot area and the value 1.0 corresponds to the end of the plot area. Unlike the GRADIENT_MAPTO_OBJECT mapping mode, a small area fill object will not show all of the colors of the gradient. Only an area fill object the size of the plot area would show all of the colors. Otherwise, it can be used much the same as the GRADIENT_MAPTO_PLOT_PHYSICAL_COORDINATES, mapping mode, except in this case you are using normalized coordinates (0.0 – 1.0) instead of physical coordinates.

## GRADIENT_MAPTO_GRAPH_NORMALIZED_COORDINATES

Much the same as the GRADIENT_MAPTO_PLOT_PHYSICAL_COORDINATES, except that in this case the breakpoints are applied to the entire graph area, not the plot area.

## ChartGradient constructors

Use the constructor below for simple line and fill attributes. There are similar constructors with fewer parameters if all you want to do is set a line color, or a line color with a line thickness.

[Visual Basic]
```
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal gradmode As Integer, _
   ByVal gradcolors As Color(), _
   ByVal gradbreak As Double(), _
   ByVal graddir As Integer _

)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal gradmode As Integer, _
   ByVal gradcolors As Color(), _
   ByVal gradbreak As Double(), _
   ByVal graddir As Integer _
)
```

 [C#]
```
public ChartGradient(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   int gradmode,
   Color[] gradcolors,
   double[] gradbreak,
   int graddir
);

public ChartGradient(
   int gradmode,
   Color[] gradcolors,
   double[] gradbreak,
   int graddir
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *gradcolors* | An array of colors used to define the gradient. |
| *gradbreak* | An array of gradient breakpoints (one for each color). The range of values depends on the mapping mode.  For the GRADIENT_MAPTO_OBJECT, GRADIENT_MAPTO_PLOT_NORMALIZED_COORDINATES, and GRADIENT_MAPTO_GRAPH_NORMALIZED_COORDINATES modes, the first value of the array should always be 0.0 and the last value should always be 1.0. |
| *graddir* | The direction of the gradient in degrees. At 0 degrees, the direction is 3:00. Positive degrees rotate clockwise. When used with the *GRADIENT_MAPTO_PLOT_PHYSICAL_COORDINATES* mapping mode, always make degrees even divisible by 90. |
| *gradmode* | *The mapping mode of the breakpoints to the gradient area.*         Use one of the gradient mode constants: GRADIENT_MAPTO_OBJECT, GRADIENT_MAPTO_PLOT_PHYSICAL_COORDINATES, GRADIENT_MAPTO_PLOT_NORMALIZED_COORDINATES,  or GRADIENT_MAPTO_GRAPH_NORMALIZED_COORDINATES. |
| *transform* | The physical coordinate system of the graph object. The coordinate system is for the GRADIENT_MAPTO_PLOT_PHYSICAL_COORDINATES, GRADIENT_MAPTO_PLOT_NORMALIZED_COORDINATES, and |

GRADIENT_MAPTO_GRAPH_NORMALIZED_COORDINATES mapping modes.

The example below uses the GRADIENT_MAPTO_PLOT_PHYSICAL_COORDINATES mapping mode to map four colors to the physical coordinates of the plot area.

[C#]

```csharp
ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Green, 0,DashStyle.Solid,
Color.Green);
Color [] barcolors  = {Color.Red, Color.Orange, Color.Yellow, Color.White};
double [] barbreakpoints = {0.0, 80, 160, 240};

int gradmode = ChartGradient.GRADIENT_MAPTO_PLOT_PHYSICAL_COORDINATES;
ChartGradient cg = new ChartGradient(pTransform1, gradmode, barcolors,
barbreakpoints, -90 );
attrib1.Gradient = cg;
```

[Visual Basic]

```vbnet
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 0, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green)
Dim barcolors() As Color = {Color.Red, Color.Orange, Color.Yellow, Color.White}
Dim barbreakpoints() As Double = {0.0, 80, 160, 240}
Dim gradmode As Integer = ChartGradient.GRADIENT_MAPTO_PLOT_PHYSICAL_COORDINATES

Dim cg As ChartGradient = New ChartGradient(pTransform1, gradmode, barcolors, _
   barbreakpoints, -90)
attrib1.Gradient = cg
```

The example below uses the GRADIENT_MAPTO_OBJECT mapping mode to map four colors to each bar of the bar plot, regardless of the bar size.

[C#]

```csharp
ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Green, 0,DashStyle.Solid,
Color.Green);
Color [] barcolors  = {Color.Red, Color.Orange, Color.Yellow, Color.White};
double [] barbreakpoints = {0.0, 0.33, 0.66, 1.0};

int gradmode = ChartGradient. GRADIENT_MAPTO_OBJECT;
ChartGradient cg = new ChartGradient(pTransform1, gradmode, barcolors,
barbreakpoints, -90 );
attrib1.Gradient = cg;
```

[Visual Basic]

```vbnet
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 0, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green)
Dim barcolors() As Color = {Color.Red, Color.Orange, Color.Yellow, Color.White}
Dim barbreakpoints() As Double = {0.0, 0.33, 0.66, 1.0}
Dim gradmode As Integer = ChartGradient.GRADIENT_MAPTO_OBJECT

Dim cg As ChartGradient = New ChartGradient(pTransform1, grad mode, barcolors, _
   barbreakpoints, -90)
attrib1.Gradient = cg
```

# Class Background

Two rectangular areas act as a backdrop for the other graphical elements of a chart. The first is the rectangle formed by the **ChartView** class. This rectangle is the *graph area* and all elements of the chart (axes, labels, plots, titles, etc.) are within its bounds. The second area is the plot area. That area is within the graph area. Its position within the graph area is set using one of the **PhysicalCoordinates.SetGraphBorder…** methods: **SetGraphBorderDiagonal**, **SetGraphBorderFrame** or **SetGraphBorderInsets**. Typically the chart plot objects (line plots, bar plots, scatter plots, etc.) are clipped to the plot area. Other chart objects (axes, axes labels, titles, etc.) need to reside outside of the plot area and these objects clip to the graph area. The plot area can have a background different from that of the graph background. Often a contrast between the graph area background and the plot area background produces a more visually pleasing chart.

**GraphObj**
      |
      **+-- Background**

The **Background** class paints the graph area background or the plot area background. One instance of the class can only paint one area, either the graph area or the plot area. If you want unique fill properties for both, you need to create two instances of the class. The **Background** class uses one of the following techniques to fill the background:

- solid color

- simple color gradient defined using two RGB colors

- user-defined gradient supplied as a .Net **LinearGradientBrush** object

- user-defined texture supplied as a .Net **TextureBrush** object

## Background constructors

Use this constructor to fill the background with a single color.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal bgtype As Integer, _
   ByVal bgcolor As Color _
)
[C#]
public Background(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   int bgtype,
   Color bgcolor
);
```

Use this constructor to fill the background with the gradient defined using the *startcolor* and *stopcolor* arguments.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal bgtype As Integer, _
   ByVal startcolor As Color, _
   ByVal stopcolor As Color, _
   ByVal dir As Integer _
)
[C#]
public Background(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   int bgtype,
   Color startcolor,
   Color stopcolor,
   int dir
);
```

Use this constructor to fill the background with a user-defined gradient.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal bgtype As Integer, _
   ByVal gradient As LinearGradientBrush _
)
[C#]
public Background(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   int bgtype,
   LinearGradientBrush gradient
);
```

Use this constructor to fill the background with a user-defined texture.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal bgtype As Integer, _
   ByVal texture As TextureBrush _
)
[C#]
public Background(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   int bgtype,
   TextureBrush texture
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system associated with the chart background. The *transform* defines where the plot area fits in the graph area. |
| *bgtype* | The chart background type. Use one of the chart background type constants: PLOT_BACKGROUND or GRAPH_BACKGROUND. Specifying the PLOT_BACKGROUND type fills the plot area of the chart, while specifying the GRAPH_BACKGROUND type fills the entire graph area of the chart. |

| | |
|---|---|
| *gradient* | The user defined background gradient. |
| *texture* | The users defined background texture. |
| *startcolor* | Specifies the starting color value of the gradient. |
| *stopcolor* | Specifies the ending color value of the gradient. |
| *dir* | Specifies the direction of the gradient. |

Should you want to use some sort of image as a background for the chart, use the **ChartImage** class and size it to fill the entire view.

**The example below defines a simple linear gradient for the graph background area (extracted from the example program SimpleLinePlots, class LineFill)**

[C#]

```
pTransform1 = new TimeCoordinates();
pTransform1.AutoScale(DatasetArray, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, .1, .92, 0.75) ;
Background background = new Background( pTransform1, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND,
        Color.FromArgb(100,50,255), Color.FromArgb(40,25,120), ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(background);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim pTransform1 As TimeCoordinates = New TimeCoordinates()
pTransform1.AutoScale(DatasetArray, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, 0.1, 0.92, 0.75)
Dim background As New Background(pTransform1, _
        ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND, Color.FromArgb(100, 50, 255), _
        Color.FromArgb(40, 25, 120), ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(background)
```

# 7. Axes

**Axis**
>    **LinearAxis**
>> **ElapsedTimeAxis**
>> **PolarAxes**
>> **AntennaAxes**
>> **EventAxis**
>    **LogAxis**
>    **TimeAxis**

Chart axes describe for the viewer the physical coordinate system used to scale the plot area of a chart. A well-defined, visually appealing chart will display one or more axes with the following characteristics:

- Minimum and maximum values for axes endpoints that are appropriate for the displayed data
- Appropriately spaced axis tick marks that permit the user to easily interpolate by simple inspection data values located between labeled tick marks
- Axis tick mark labels that fall on logical, even intervals
- Flexible axis placement, inside or outside the plot area
- Axes for linear,date/time, elapsed time, event, logarithmic, polar and antenna, physical coordinate systems

The programmer can explicitly set these characteristics, or they can be calculated automatically based on an analysis of the associated chart data.

The axes of a chart do not define the physical coordinate system of the chart. Rather, the axes provide a visual key to the physical coordinate system. Define the physical coordinate system first using one of the classes derived from **PhysicalCoordinates**. Next, create the axes that reside in the physical coordinate. It is possible to define a physical coordinate system scaled using a xy range of (0-100, 0-100) and create an axis, residing in that coordinate system, that has minimum and maximum values of (0-25). The axis in that case takes up 25% of the chart plot area of the chart. Define the same axis with minimum and maximum values of (0-100) and the axes will span 100% of chart plot area.

A chart axis consists of at least two and usually three parts: the axis line, the axis tick marks, and the axis labels. The axis line extends from the minimum value to the maximum value of the axis. Major tick marks perpendicular to the axis line divide the axis line into sub ranges suitable for labeling. Minor tick marks, also perpendicular to the axis line, further subdivide the space between the major tick marks into even smaller

intervals. Axis labels are optional. On one side of a chart there may be an axis with labels and on the other side an axis without labels.

# Chart Axes

There are seven concrete axis types supported by the **QCChart2D for .Net** library:

| Axis Type | Class |
|---|---|
| Linear | **LinearAxis** |
| Logarithmic | **LogAxis** |
| Date/time | **TimeAxis** |
| ElapsedTime | **ElapsedTimeAxis** |
| Event | **EventAxis** |
| Polar | **PolarAxes** |
| Antenna | **AntennaAxes** |

The seven axis types derive directly or indirectly from the **Axis** abstract base class that provides a core set of properties and methods.

All axis objects use the same set of methods, found in the base **GraphObj** class, to set the drawing properties of the lines used to draw the axis line and tick marks. The default values use a black solid line of thickness 1.0. Change the default values using the **GraphObj** methods below.

### SetColor method

```
[Visual Basic]
Overridable Public Sub SetColor( _
   ByVal rgbcolor As Color _
)
[C#]
public virtual void SetColor(
   Color rgbcolor
);
```

### SetLineWidth method

```
[Visual Basic]
Overridable Public Sub SetLineWidth( _
   ByVal linewidth As Double _
)
```

```
[C#]
public virtual void SetLineWidth(
   double linewidth
);
```

## SetLineStyle method

```
[Visual Basic]
Overridable Public Sub SetLineStyle( _
   ByVal linestyle As DashStyle _
)
[C#]
public virtual void SetLineStyle(
   DashStyle linestyle
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *rgbcolor* | Sets the primary line color for the chart object. |
| *linewidth* | Sets the line width, in device coordinates, for the chart object. |
| *linestyle* | Sets the line style for the chart object. Use one of the .Net Drawing2D.DashStyle enumerated constants: Dash, DashDot, DashDotDot, Dot or Solid. |

# Linear Axes

## Class LinearAxis
**GraphObj**
```
       |
   +--Axis
          |
          +-- LinearAxis
```
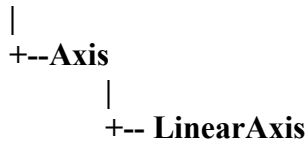
### Linear Axis Minimum and Maximum

The axes minimum and maximum are the physical coordinate values that define the starting and ending points of the axis line. It is a mistake to try to invert the axis, i.e. an axis where the scale decreases from left to right, or bottom to top, by setting axis minimum to a value greater than the axis maximum. The software swaps the values if this happens. Create an inverted axis by first defining an inverted physical coordinate system using one of the **PhysicalCoordinates** derived classes. Place the axis in the inverted coordinate system.

The minimum and maximum of a linear axis can assume any numeric values. This differentiates the linear axis from logarithmic, time, polar, and antenna, axes which have specific, valid numeric ranges.

### Linear Minor and Major Tick Mark Intervals

Major tick marks perpendicular to the axis line divide the line into sub ranges suitable for labeling. Minor tick marks, also perpendicular to the axis line, further subdivide the space between the major tick marks into even smaller intervals.

The major tick mark interval for a linear axis is set equal to a specified integer number of minor tick intervals, forcing major tick marks to always fall on a minor tick mark.

It is important that the tick mark intervals fall on rounded values appropriate to the physical scale of the chart. It is not appropriate to look at the range (maximum value – minimum value) and divide by some integer. For example, an axis with endpoints –5 to 30 should have a major tick mark interval of 5 or 10, and a minor tick mark interval 1.0. Dividing the axis range (30 – (-5) = 35.0) by 10 will result in a tick interval of 3.5, which is inappropriate for either major or minor tick intervals. The programmer can calculate the proper tick mark intervals using custom algorithms, or use the automatic methods that are used by default in the axis constructors.

**Linear Axis Intercept**

An axis resides in a 2-dimensional physical coordinate system. The minimum and maximum values for the axis provide coordinate information for only one dimension; x-coordinates in the case of an x-axis, and y-coordinates in the case of the y-axis. The missing coordinate needed to position the axis is the axis intercept. The axis intercept specifies the y-coordinate position for the x-axis, and the x-coordinate position for the y-axis.

**Linear Axis Tick Mark Origin**

The axis major and minor tick mark intervals specify the space between adjacent tick marks. A minor tick mark interval of 1.0, and a major tick mark interval of 5.0, may result in major tick marks at 0.0, 5.0, 10.0, 15.0, 20.0, etc. It can also result in major tick marks at –0.88769, 4.11231, 9.11231, 14.11231, 19.11231, etc. Obviously, the first example is the desired tick mark placement. The difference between the two examples is the tick mark starting point, or origin. In the first example, the tick mark origin is 0.0 and in the second case the tick mark origin is –0.88769. The tick mark origin is an important property because often it should not be the minimum value of the axis, but rather some intermediate value between the minimum and maximum value of the axis. In the example above, the data may range from –0.88769 to 19.9 and the chart is to have exactly that range. It is still appropriate that the tick mark origin be set to 0.0, rather than the axis minimum value of –0.88769.

The tick mark origin should reside in the bounds defined by the axis minimum and maximum, inclusive of the endpoints. It does not need to be near an endpoint however. For example, an axis with endpoints –16 to +19 should use a minor tick mark interval of 1.0 or 2.0, a major tick mark interval of 5.0 or 10.0, and a tick mark origin of 0.0. Usually, if the axis minimum and maximum bracket 0.0, i.e. the axis minimum is less than or equal to 0.0 and the axis maximum is greater than or equal to 0.0, the best tick mark origin to use is 0.0.

## Creating a Linear Axis

There are two main constructors for **LinearAxis** objects. The first **LinearAxis** constructor assumes that the axis extents match the extents of the underlying coordinate system, *transform*. The second **LinearAxis** constructor sets the axis extents to the specified minimum and maximum values, regardless of the underlying coordinate system.

## LinearAxis constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal axtype As Integer _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal axtype As Integer, _
   ByVal minval As Double, _
   ByVal maxval As Double _
)


[C#]
public LinearAxis(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   int axtype
);

public LinearAxis(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   int axtype,
   double minval,
   double maxval
);
```

*transform*      Places the axes in the coordinate system defined by transform.

*axtype*      Specifies if the axis is an x-axis (X_AXIS), or a y-axis (Y_AXIS).

*minval*      Sets the minimum value for the axis.

*maxval*      Sets the maximum value for the axis.

Other axis properties: minor tick mark spacing, number of minor tick marks per major tick mark, axis intercept, tick mark lengths, tick mark direction and axis tick mark origin are automatically calculated using an auto-axis method. Set these properties explicitly if you need to override the automatically calculated values.

## SetAxisIntercept method

```
[Visual Basic]
Public Sub SetAxisIntercept( _
   ByVal intercept As Double _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisIntercept(
   double intercept
);
```

## SetAxisTicks method

```
 [Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetAxisTicks( _
   ByVal tickorigin As Double, _
   ByVal tickspace As Double, _
   ByVal ntickspermajor As Integer _
)

[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetAxisTicks( _
   ByVal tickorigin As Double, _
   ByVal tickspace As Double, _
   ByVal nminortickspermajor As Integer, _
   ByVal minorticklength As Double, _
   ByVal majorticklength As Double, _
   ByVal tickdir As Integer _
)


[C#]
public void SetAxisTicks(
   double tickorigin,
   double tickspace,
   int ntickspermajor
);

public void SetAxisTicks(
   double tickorigin,
   double tickspace,
   int nminortickspermajor,
   double minorticklength,
   double majorticklength,
   int tickdir
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *intercept* | Sets the intercept of this axis with the perpendicular axis in physical coordinates. |
| *tickorigin* | The tick marks start at this value. |
| *tickspace* | Specifies the spacing between minor tick marks. |
| *ntickspermajor* | Specifies the number of minor tick marks per major tick mark. |
| *minorticklength* | The length of minor tick marks, in .Net device coordinates. |
| *majorticklength* | The length of major tick marks, in .Net device coordinates. |
| *tickdir* | The direction of the tick marks. Use one of the tick mark direction constants:  AXIS_MIN, AXIS_CENTER, or AXIS_MAX. |

Use the **SetLineWidth**, **SetLineStyle** and **SetColor** methods to customize the drawing properties of the lines used to draw the axis line and tick marks.

**Simple linear axis example**

[C#]

```
// Define the coordinate system
double xMin = -5;
double xMax = 15;
double yMin = 0;
double yMax =  105;
CartesianCoordinates simpleScale =
                new CartesianCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);

// Create the x- and y-axes
LinearAxis xAxis = new LinearAxis(simpleScale, ChartObj.X_AXIS);
LinearAxis yAxis = new LinearAxis(simpleScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);

// Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
ChartView chartVu  = new ChartView();

// Add the x- and y-axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
' Define the coordinate system
Dim xMin As Double = -5
Dim xMax As Double = 15
Dim yMin As Double = 0
Dim yMax As Double =  15
Dim simpleScale As CartesianCoordinates = _
                New CartesianCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)

' Create the x- and y-axes
Dim xAxis As LinearAxis = New LinearAxis(simpleScale, ChartObj.X_AXIS)
Dim yAxis As LinearAxis = New LinearAxis(simpleScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)

' chartVu  Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()

' Add the x- and y-axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis)
```

Customize the axis by adding the following lines after the creation of the *xAxis* object:

**Custom linear axis example**

[C#]

```
double xAxisIntercept = -5;
double xAxisOrigin = 0.0;
double xAxisMinorTickSpace = 1.0;
int xAxisMinorTicksPerMajor = 5;
double xAxisMinorTickLength = 5;
double xAxisMajorTickLength = 10;
int xAxisTickDirection = ChartObj.AXIS_MIN;

xAxis.SetAxisIntercept(xAxisIntercept);
xAxis.SetAxisTicks(xAxisOrigin, xAxisMinorTickSpace,
                xAxisMinorTicksPerMajor, xAxisMinorTickLength,
```

```
            xAxisMajorTickLength, xAxisTickDirection);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xAxisIntercept As Double = -5
Dim xAxisOrigin As Double = 0.0
Dim xAxisMinorTickSpace As Double = 1.0
Dim xAxisMinorTicksPerMajor As Integer = 5
Dim xAxisMinorTickLength As Double = 5
Dim xAxisMajorTickLength As Double = 10
Dim xAxisTickDirection As Integer = ChartObj.AXIS_MIN
Dim xAxis As LinearAxis = New LinearAxis()
xAxis.SetAxisIntercept(xAxisIntercept)
xAxis.SetAxisTicks(xAxisOrigin, xAxisMinorTickSpace, _
            xAxisMinorTicksPerMajor, xAxisMinorTickLength, _
             xAxisMajorTickLength, xAxisTickDirection)
```

# Logarithmic Axes

Scientific, engineering and financial applications often require the use of logarithmic axe. Logarithmic axes are useful for the display of data that either has a wide dynamic range and/or data that is exponential in nature. Two common examples that use logarithmic scales are hi-fi speaker charts (db vs. log frequency) and stock market charts.

## Class LogAxis
**GraphObj**
```
      |
    +-- Axis
          |
        +-- LogAxis
```
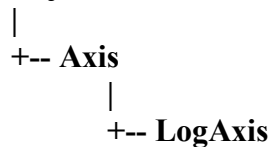
The **LogAxis** class is a concrete subclass of the **Axis** class. Use the **LogAxis** class to create a logarithmic axis with logarithmic spacing between the major tick marks (1, 10, 100…), and linear spacing (2, 3, 4, 5…) between the minor tick marks.

### Logarithmic Axis Minimum and Maximum
The minimum and maximum values for a logarithmic axis can have any positive value, as long as the maximum is greater than the minimum. Create an inverted axis by first defining an inverted physical coordinate system using one of the **PhysicalCoordinates** derived classes. The axis minimum and maximum do not have to fall on decade intervals, i.e. 0.1 to 10,000 and can assume any positive range, i.e. 0.23 to 13,100 is valid.

### Logarithmic Minor and Major Tick Mark Intervals
The major tick marks for a logarithmic axis use an exponential interval. The exponential interval in physical coordinates transforms to a linear interval in the working coordinate system. Below are examples of the major tick mark locations for a logarithmic axis.

**Axis Minimum and Maximum        Axis Major Tick Mark Locations**

| 0.1 to 100.0 | 0.1, 1.0, 10.0, 100.0 |
| 20 to 50,000 | 20, 200, 2000, 20000 |
| $10^{-4}$ to 1.0 | $10^{-4}$, $10^{-3}$, $10^{-2}$, $10^{-1}$, 1.0 |

The minor tick marks for a logarithmic axis use a linear interval between the tick marks. For example, a major tick mark interval has endpoints of 10 to 100, a logarithmic interval. The minor ticks in-between the 10 and the 100 use a linear interval of 10 and fall at 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, and 90. For the next major tick mark interval, 100 to 1000, the minor tick mark interval becomes 100 and minor tick marks fall at 200, 300, 400, 500, 600, 700, 800, and 900. The minor tick mark intervals are set equal to the value of the preceding major tick mark interval. If the major tick mark interval uses a non-decade range, for example 3, 30, 300, 30000, the minor tick marks will track the major tick marks. The major tick mark interval of 3 to 30 will use a minor tick mark range of 3, with minor tick marks at 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 24, and 27.

### Logarithmic Axis Intercept

A logarithmic axis has an intercept value, the same as a linear axis. Since the intercept value is specified using the scale of the perpendicular axis, if the perpendicular axis is linear, as in the case of semi-log graphs, the intercept value can be positive, negative, or 0.0. If the perpendicular axis is logarithmic, the intercept value is restricted to a positive range.

### Logarithmic Axis Tick Mark Origin

The starting value for the major tick marks does not need to fall at the end of the axis range. For example, the axis may have a range of 0.175 to 195. It would not make sense to start the major tick mark placement at 0.175. The major tick marks would end up placed at 0.175, 1.75, 17.5 and 175. The minor tick marks would make even less sense. A better major tick mark placement is 0.2, 2, 20, and 200. The minor tick marks will also fall on even values.

The logarithmic axis tick mark origin controls the placement of the first major tick mark. The other major and minor tick mark positions are automatically calculated based on the initial position of the first major tick mark.

The tick mark origin must reside in the bounds defined by the axis minimum and maximum, inclusive of the endpoints. It does not need to be near an endpoint however.

### LogAxis Constructors

There are two constructors for **LogAxis** objects.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
```

```
      ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
      ByVal axtype As Integer _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
      ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
      ByVal axtype As Integer, _
      ByVal minval As Double, _
      ByVal maxval As Double _
)


[C#]
public LogAxis(
      PhysicalCoordinates transform,
      int axtype
);

public LogAxis(
      PhysicalCoordinates transform,
      int axtype,
      double minval,
      double maxval
);
```

*transform*      Places the axes in the coordinate system defined by transform.

*axtype*      Specifies if the axis is an x-axis (X_AXIS), or a y-axis (Y_AXIS).

*minval*      Sets the minimum value for the axis.

*maxval*      Sets the maximum value for the axis.

The first **LogAxis** constructor assumes that the axis extents match the extents of the underlying coordinate system, *transform*. The second **LogAxis** constructor sets the axis extents to the specified minimum and maximum values, regardless of the underlying coordinate system.

Other axis properties: axis intercept, tick mark lengths, tick mark direction and axis tick mark origin are automatically calculated using an auto-axis method. These properties can be explicitly set if you need to override the automatically calculated values.

### SetAxisIntercept method

```
[Visual Basic]
Public Sub SetAxisIntercept( _
      ByVal intercept As Double _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisIntercept(
      double intercept
);
```

### SetAxisTicks method

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetAxisTicks( _
      ByVal tickorigin As Double, _
```

```
      ByVal nlogtickformat As Integer _
)

[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetAxisTicks( _
   ByVal origin As Double, _
   ByVal nlogtickformat As Integer, _
   ByVal minorticklength As Double, _
   ByVal majorticklength As Double, _
   ByVal tickdir As Integer _
)

[C#]
public void SetAxisTicks(
   double tickorigin,
   int nlogtickformat
);

public void SetAxisTicks(
   double origin,
   int nlogtickformat,
   double minorticklength,
   double majorticklength,
   int tickdir
);
```

*intercept*              Sets the intercept of this axis with the perpendicular axis in
                         physical coordinates.

*nlogtickformat*         This parameter specifies which minor tick marks are flagged for
                         labels. Logarithmic axis minor tick mark labels can become very
                         crowded. It is possible to choose values that may overlap or not
                         display. Valid *nlogtickformat* values are:

                         0       No minor tick mark labels

                         1       Place a label at tick mark 0 in each decade.

                         2       Place a label at minor tick marks 1, 3 and 5 in each decade.

                         3       Place a label at minor tick marks 0, 1, 2, 3 and 5 in each
                                 decade.

                         4       Place a label at minor tick marks 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 in each
                                 decade.

                         5       Place a label at minor tick marks 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 in
                                 each decade.

                         6       Place a label at minor tick marks 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 in
                                 each decade.

                         7       Place a label at minor tick marks 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8
                                 in each decade.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| 8 | Place a label at minor tick marks 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 in each decade. |

*minorticklength*      The length of minor tick marks, in .Net device coordinates.

*majorticklength*      The length of major tick marks, in .Net device coordinates.

*ticdir*      The direction of the tick marks. Use one of the tick mark direction constants:  AXIS_MIN, AXIS_CENTER, or AXIS_MAX.

The **SetLineWidth**, **SetLineStyle** and **SetColor** methods are used to customize the drawing properties of the lines used to draw the axis line and tick marks.

**Simple log axis example**

[C#]

```
double xMin = 0;
double xMax = 1000;
double yMin = 0.2;
double yMax =  2000;
CartesianCoordinates logYScale =
        new CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE,  ChartObj.LOG_SCALE);
logYScale.SetCoordinateBounds(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);

// Create a linear x-axis and a logarithmic y-axis
LinearAxis xAxis = new LinearAxis (logYScale, ChartObj.X_AXIS);
LogAxis yAxis = new LogAxis (logYScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);

// Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
ChartView chartVu  = new ChartView();

// Add the x- and y-axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xMin As Double = 0
Dim xMax As Double = 1000
Dim yMin As Double = 0.2
Dim yMax As Double = 2000
Dim logYScale As CartesianCoordinates = _
            New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, ChartObj.LOG_SCALE)
logYScale.SetCoordinateBounds(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)

        ' Create a linear x-axis and a logarithmic y-axis
Dim xAxis As LinearAxis = New LinearAxis(logYScale, ChartObj.X_AXIS)
Dim yAxis As LogAxis = New LogAxis(logYScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)

' Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()

' Add the x- and y-axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis)
```

Should want to customize the axis you can add the following lines after the *yAxis* object is created:

**Custom logarithmic axis example**

[C#]

```csharp
// Place the y-axis on the right side of the graph with tick marks
// point towards the right.
double yAxisIntercept = 1000;
// Major tick marks at 0.2, 2, 20, 200 and 2000
double yAxisOrigin = 0.2;
// In addition to major tick marks, labels flagged for some minor tick marks
int yAxisLogFormat = 1;
double yAxisMinorTickLength = 5;
double yAxisMajorTickLength = 10;
int yAxisTickDirection = ChartObj.AXIS_MAX;

yAxis.SetAxisIntercept(yAxisIntercept);
yAxis.SetAxisTicks(yAxisOrigin, yAxisLogFormat, yAxisMinorTickLength,
                   yAxisMajorTickLength, yAxisTickDirection);
```

[Visual Basic]

```vb
' Place the y-axis on the right side of the graph with tick marks
' point towards the right.
Dim yAxisIntercept As Double = 1000
' yAxisOrigin Major tick marks at 0.2, 2, 20, 200 and 2000
Dim yAxisOrigin As Double = 0.2
' In addition to major tick marks, labels flagged for some minor tick marks
Dim yAxisLogFormat As Integer = 1
Dim yAxisMinorTickLength As Double = 5
Dim yAxisMajorTickLength As Double = 10
Dim yAxisTickDirection As Integer = ChartObj.AXIS_MAX

yAxis.SetAxisIntercept(yAxisIntercept)
yAxis.SetAxisTicks(yAxisOrigin, yAxisLogFormat, yAxisMinorTickLength, _
                          yAxisMajorTickLength, yAxisTickDirection)
```

# Date/Time Axes

The date/time axis is used in combination with a **TimeCoordinates** physical coordinate system. The axis major and minor tick marks correspond to the common date/time divisions of second, minute, hour, day, week, month and year. The date/time axes supported with this software are very complex, because they take into account the varying number of days in months and years. The axes also take into account non-continuous date/time scales where a 5-day week is used, or where a full day consists of a specific time interval that can be something less than a 24-hour day.

**Note –** The **TimeAxis** class is **not** used to create an axis to display elapsed time. Use a **ElapsedTimeCoordinates** system in combination with a **ElapsedTimeAxis** to create an elapsed time axis. It is the **ElapsedTimeAxisLabels** that give the elapsed time axis its time axis look, i.e. 10:30:22.

## Class TimeAxis
**GraphObj**
```
     |
  +--Axis
        |
          +-- TimeAxis
```
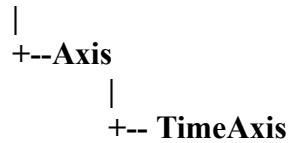
The **TimeAxis** class creates an axis with date/time specific spacing between minor and major tick marks, not necessarily uniform as with a **LinearAxis**. The **TimeAxis** extends the **Axis** class.

**Date/Time Axis Minimum and Maximum**

The minimum and maximum values for a date/time axis can have any valid date/time value, specified using the class **ChartCalendar**. The axis maximum value should be later in time than the minimum. Create an inverted axis by first defining an inverted physical coordinate system using the **TimeCoordinates** class. The axis minimum and maximum do not have to fall on even time or date intervals and can assume any date compatible with the **ChartCalendar** class. For example:

| Starting Date and Time | Ending Date and Time | Range |
|---|---|---|
| 1/1/1972 00:00:00 | 1/1/1999 00:00:00 | 27 years |
| 11/04/1997 8:30:00 | 11/04/1997 16:00:00 | 7 hours 30 minutes |
| 11/28/2000 8:31:22 | 1/14/2001 15:14:33 | 48 days 6 hours 43 minutes 11 sec |

**Date/Time Minor and Major Tick Mark Intervals**

The predefined date/time axis tick mark constants listed below specify both major and minor tick mark spacing.

| Date/Time Axis Tick Mark Constants | Description |
|---|---|
| TIMEAXIS_50YEAR10YEAR | 50 year major tick mark spacing, 10 year minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_20YEAR5YEAR | 20 year major tick mark spacing, 5 year minor tick mark spacing |

| | |
|---|---|
| TIMEAXIS_10YEARYEAR | 10 year major tick mark spacing, 1 year minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_5YEARYEAR | 5 year major tick mark spacing, 1 year minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_YEAR | 1 year major tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_YEARQUARTER | 1 year major tick mark spacing, 1 quarter minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_YEARMONTH | 1 year major tick mark spacing, 1 month minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_QUARTER | 1 quarter major tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_QUARTERMONTH | 1 quarter major tick mark spacing, 1 month minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_MONTH | 1 month major tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_MONTHWEEK | 1 month major tick mark spacing, 1 week minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_MONTHDAY | 1 month major tick mark spacing, 1 day minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_WEEK | 1 week major tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_WEEKDAY | 1 week major tick mark spacing, 1 day minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_DAY | 1 day major tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_DAY12HOUR | 1 day major tick mark spacing, 12 hour minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_DAY8HOUR | 1 day major tick mark spacing, 8 hour minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_DAY4HOUR | 1 day major tick mark spacing, 4 hour minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_DAY2HOUR | 1 day major tick mark spacing, 2 hour minor tick mark spacing |

| TIMEAXIS_DAYHOUR | 1 day major tick mark spacing, 1 hour minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_12HOURHOUR | 12 hour major tick mark spacing, 1 hour minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_8HOURHOUR | 8 hour major tick mark spacing, 1 hour minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_4HOURHOUR | 4 hour major tick mark spacing, 1 hour minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_2HOURHOUR | 2 hour major tick mark spacing, 1 hour minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_HOUR | 1 hour major tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_HOUR30MINUTE | 1 hour major tick mark spacing, 30 minute minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_HOUR15MINUTE | 1 hour major tick mark spacing, 15 minute minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_HOUR10MINUTE | 1 hour major tick mark spacing, 10 minute minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_HOUR5MINUTE | 1 hour major tick mark spacing, 5 minute minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_HOUR2MINUTE | 1 hour major tick mark spacing, 2 minute minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_HOURMINUTE | 1 hour major tick mark spacing, 1 minute minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_30MINUTEMINUTE | 30 minute major tick mark spacing, 1 minute minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_15MINUTEMINUTE | 15 minute major tick mark spacing, 1 minute minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_10MINUTEMINUTE | 10 minute major tick mark spacing, 1 minute minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_5MINUTEMINUTE | 5 minute major tick mark spacing, 1 minute minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_2MINUTEMINUTE | 2 minute major tick mark spacing, 1 minute minor tick mark spacing |

| | |
|---|---|
| TIMEAXIS_MINUTE | 1 minute major tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_MINUTE30SECOND | 1 minute major tick mark spacing, 30 second minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_MINUTE15SECOND | 1 minute major tick mark spacing, 15 second minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_MINUTE10SECOND | 1 minute major tick mark spacing, 10 second minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_MINUTE5SECOND | 1 minute major tick mark spacing, 5 second minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_MINUTE2SECOND | 1 minute major tick mark spacing, 2 second minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_MINUTESECOND | 1 minute major tick mark spacing, 1 second minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_30SECONDSECOND | 30 second major tick mark spacing, 1 second minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_15SECONDSECOND | 15 second major tick mark spacing, 1 second minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_10SECONDSECOND | 10 second major tick mark spacing, 1 second minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_5SECONDSECOND | 5 second major tick mark spacing, 1 second minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_2SECONDSECOND | 2 second major tick mark spacing, 1 second minor tick mark spacing |
| TIMEAXIS_SECOND | 1 second major tick mark spacing |

Sunday is the first day of the week for 7-day weeks, while Monday is the first day of the week for 5-day weeks.

It may not be immediately obvious, but the major tick marks for date/time scales do not necessarily fall on equal intervals. If the tick marks are set to the TIMEAXIS_MONTHDAY value, there may be 28, 29, 30 or 31 days between each months major tick mark. In most cases, the major tick mark coincides with a minor tick mark. For example, if the TIMEAXIS_MONTHDAY setting is used, the major tick mark for a month falls at the first day of the month, coinciding with the minor tick mark for

that day. If the TIMEAXIS_WEEKDAY setting is used, the major tick mark for a WEEK falls at the first day of the week, coinciding with the minor tick mark for that day. Situations where the major and minor tick marks do not coincide involve weeks as minor tick marks. If the TIMEAXIS_MONTHWEEK setting is used, the first day of the month may or may not correspond to the first day of the week (Sunday or Monday). Major tick marks fall on the first day of each month, and minor tick marks fall on the first day of each week.

Combine these irregularities with a 5- or 7-day workweek option, and the non-24 hour day option and you can see that a generalized algorithm to define the positions of tick marks is a difficult task. For example: you are a stock trader and you want to track the price/volume characteristics of a stock from the last 5 minutes of the regular trading day, to the first 5 minutes of the next regular trading day, specifically from 3:55 PM Friday, Sept 29, 2000 to 9:35 AM Monday, Oct 2, 2000. The time range under consideration is only 10 minutes, since the market closes Friday at 4:00 PM and opens Monday at 9:30 PM. The resulting axis should reflect this 10-minute range, even though the actual time elapsed is 3,930 minutes. You should be able to specify the axis minimum and maximum values using the actual dates and times. You also need to set a 5-day workweek mode and establish a day that has a time range of 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

### Date/Time Axis Intercept

A date/time axis has an intercept value, the same as a linear axis. Since the intercept value is specified using the scale of the perpendicular axis, if the perpendicular axis is linear, the intercept value can be positive, negative, or 0.0. If the perpendicular axis is logarithmic, the intercept value is restricted to a positive range.

There are three main constructors for **TimeAxis** objects. The first two **TimeAxis** constructors assume that the axis extents match the extents of the underlying coordinate system, *transform*. The third **TimeAxis** constructor sets the axis extents to the specified minimum and maximum values, regardless of the underlying coordinate system.

### TimeAxis constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As TimeCoordinates _
)
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As TimeCoordinates, _
   ByVal ntickmarkbase As Integer _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As TimeCoordinates, _
   ByVal dstart As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal dstop As ChartCalendar _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As TimeCoordinates, _
   ByVal axtype As Integer _
)
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As TimeCoordinates, _
```

```
      ByVal axtype As Integer, _
      ByVal ntickmarkbase As Integer _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
      ByVal transform As TimeCoordinates, _
      ByVal axtype As Integer, _
      ByVal dstart As ChartCalendar, _
      ByVal dstop As ChartCalendar _
)


[C#]
public TimeAxis(
      TimeCoordinates transform
);

public TimeAxis(
      TimeCoordinates transform,
      int ntickmarkbase
);
public TimeAxis(
      TimeCoordinates transform,
      ChartCalendar dstart,
      ChartCalendar dstop
);

public TimeAxis(
      TimeCoordinates transform,
      int axtype

);

public TimeAxis(
      TimeCoordinates transform,
      int axtype,
      int ntickmarkbase
);
public TimeAxis(
      TimeCoordinates transform,
      int axtype,
      ChartCalendar dstart,
      ChartCalendar dstop
);
```

If the constuctor does not explicitly specify whether the axis is for the x- or y-axis, then the software checks the underlying TimeCoordinates system (*transform*), and creates an axis for the dimension of the coordinate system that is time based.

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The time coordinate system the axis is placed in. If the starting and ending dates of the axis are not explicitly set, the axis uses the starting and ending dates of the *transform* time-scale. |
| *axtype* | The axis types. Use one of the axis type constants: X_AXIS or Y_AXIS.. |
| *dstart* | The starting date value for the axis. |
| *dstop* | The ending date value for the axis |

| | |
|---|---|
| *ntickmarkbase* | This field defines the major and minor tick mark spacing for a time axis. Use one of the Date/time axis tick mark mode constants: TIMEAXIS_YEARMONTH, TIMEAXIS_DAYHOUR for example. |

Other axis properties: axis intercept, tick mark lengths, tick mark direction are automatically calculated using an auto-axis method. These properties can be explicitly set if you need to override the automatically calculated values.

## SetAxisIntercept method

```
[Visual Basic]
Public Sub SetAxisIntercept( _
   ByVal intercept As Double _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisIntercept(
   double intercept
);
```

## SetAxisTicksAttributes method

```
[Visual Basic]
Public Sub SetAxisTicksAttributes( _
   ByVal minorticklength As Double, _
   ByVal majorticklength As Double, _
   ByVal tickdir As Integer _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisTicksAttributes(
   double minorticklength,
   double majorticklength,
   int tickdir
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *intercept* | Sets the intercept of this axis with the perpendicular axis in physical coordinates. |
| *minorticklength* | Specifies the length of a minor tick mark in .Net device coordinates. |
| *majorticklength* | Specifies the length of a major tick mark in .Net device coordinates. |
| *tickdir* | Specifies the direction of the tick marks with respect to axis line. Use one of the following tick direction constants: AXIS_MIN, AXIS_CENTER, AXIS_MAX. |

Customize the line and tick mark drawing properties of the axis using the **SetLineWidth**, **SetLineStyle** and **SetColor** methods.

## Simple time axis example

[C#]

```
// Define a Time coordinate system
ChartCalendar xMin = new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,  5);
ChartCalendar xMax = new ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY,  5);
double yMin = 0;
double yMax =  105;

TimeCoordinates simpleTimeScale;
simpleTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);
// Create the time axis (x-axis is assumed)
TimeAxis xAxis = new TimeAxis(simpleTimeScale);
// Create the linear y-axis
LinearAxis yAxis = new LinearAxis(simpleTimeScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
' Define a Time coordinate system
Dim xMin As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY, 5)
Dim xMax As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY, 5)
Dim yMin As Double = 0
Dim yMax As Double = 105

Dim simpleTimeScale As TimeCoordinates
simpleTimeScale = New TimeCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)
' Create the time axis (x-axis is assumed)
Dim xAxis As TimeAxis = New TimeAxis(simpleTimeScale)
' Create the linear y-axis
Dim yAxis As LinearAxis = New LinearAxis(simpleTimeScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
' Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()

' Add the x- and y-axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis)
```

## Custom time axis example

[C#]

```
// Define a Time coordinate system
ChartCalendar xMin = new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,  5);
ChartCalendar xMax = new ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY,  5);
double yMin = 0;
double yMax =  105;
int  xAxisTickMarkFormat = ChartObj.TIMEAXIS_MONTHWEEK;
double xAxisMinorTickLength = 5;
double xAxisMajorTickLength = 10;
int xAxisTickDirection = ChartObj.AXIS_MIN;
TimeCoordinates simpleTimeScale;
simpleTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);

// Create the time axis (x-axis is assumed)
TimeAxis xAxis =   new TimeAxis(simpleTimeScale, xAxisTickMarkFormat);
xAxis.SetAxisTicksAttributes(xAxisMinorTickLength,
                      xAxisMajorTickLength, xAxisTickDirection);

// Create the linear y-axis
LinearAxis yAxis =
```

```
new LinearAxis(simpleTimeScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);

// Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
ChartView chartVu  = new ChartView();

// Add the x- and y-axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
' Define a Time coordinate system
Dim xMin As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY, 5)
Dim xMax As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY, 5)
Dim yMin As Double = 0
Dim yMax As Double = 105
Dim xAxisTickMarkFormat As Integer = ChartObj.TIMEAXIS_MONTHWEEK
Dim xAxisMinorTickLength As Double = 5
Dim xAxisMajorTickLength As Double = 10
Dim xAxisTickDirection As Integer = ChartObj.AXIS_MIN
Dim simpleTimeScale As TimeCoordinates
simpleTimeScale = New TimeCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)

' Create the time axis (x-axis is assumed)
Dim xAxis As TimeAxis = New TimeAxis(simpleTimeScale, xAxisTickMarkFormat)
xAxis.SetAxisTicksAttributes(xAxisMinorTickLength, _
                             xAxisMajorTickLength, xAxisTickDirection)

' Create the linear y-axis
Dim yAxis As LinearAxis = New LinearAxis(simpleTimeScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)

' Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()

' Add the x- and y-axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis)
```

# Elapsed Time Axes

## Class ElapsedTimeAxis
**GraphObj**
```
     |
  +--Axis
       |
      +-- LinearAxis
            |
           +-- ElapsedTimeAxis
```
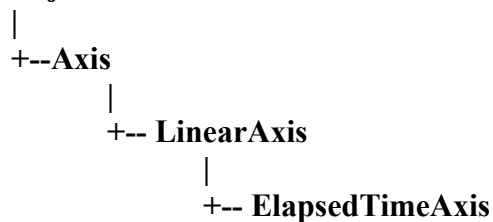
The **ElapsedTimeAxis** is subclassed from the **LinearAxis** class and has much in common with it. The only difference between the two is the way in which major and minor tick marks are calculated in the **CalcAutoAxis** method. The **ElapsedTimeAxis** takes into account the base 60 of seconds per minute and minutes per hour, and the base 24 of hours per day. Read the sections:

- **Linear Axis Minimum and Maximum**

- **Linear Minor and Major Tick Mark Intervals**

- **Linear Axis Intercept**

- **Linear Axis Tick Mark Origin**

under the discussion of **LinearAxis**.

## Creating a Elapsed Time Axis

There are two main constructors for **ElapsedTimeAxis** objects. The first **ElapsedTimeAxis** constructor assumes that the axis extents match the extents of the underlying coordinate system, *transform*. The second **ElapsedTimeAxis** constructor sets the axis extents to the specified minimum and maximum values, regardless of the underlying coordinate system.

## ElapsedTimeAxis constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal axtype As Integer _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal axtype As Integer, _
   ByVal minval As TimeSpan, _
   ByVal maxval As TimeSpan _
)


[C#]
public ElapsedTimeAxis(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   int axtype
);

public ElapsedTimeAxis (
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   int axtype,
   double minval,
   double maxval
);
```

*transform*      Places the axes in the coordinate system defined by transform.

*axtype*         Specifies if the axis is an x-axis (X_AXIS), or a y-axis (Y_AXIS).

*minval*         Sets the minimum value for the axis.

*maxval*         Sets the maximum value for the axis.

Other axis properties: minor tick mark spacing, number of minor tick marks per major tick mark, axis intercept, tick mark lengths, tick mark direction and axis tick mark origin are automatically calculated using an auto-axis method. Set these properties explicitly if you need to override the automatically calculated values.

## SetAxisIntercept method

```
[Visual Basic]
Public Sub SetAxisIntercept( _
   ByVal intercept As Double _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisIntercept(
   double intercept
);
```

## SetAxisTicks method

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetAxisTicks( _
   ByVal tickorigin As Double, _
   ByVal tickspace As Double, _
   ByVal ntickspermajor As Integer _
)

[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetAxisTicks( _
   ByVal tickorigin As Double, _
   ByVal tickspace As Double, _
   ByVal nminortickspermajor As Integer, _
   ByVal minorticklength As Double, _
   ByVal majorticklength As Double, _
   ByVal tickdir As Integer _
)


[C#]
public void SetAxisTicks(
   double tickorigin,
   double tickspace,
   int ntickspermajor
);

public void SetAxisTicks(
   double tickorigin,
   double tickspace,
   int nminortickspermajor,
   double minorticklength,
   double majorticklength,
   int tickdir
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *intercept* | Sets the intercept of this axis with the perpendicular axis in physical coordinates. |
| *tickorigin* | The tick marks start at this value. |
| *tickspace* | Specifies the spacing between minor tick marks. |

| | |
|---|---|
| *ntickspermajor* | Specifies the number of minor tick marks per major tick mark. |
| *minorticklength* | The length of minor tick marks, in .Net device coordinates. |
| *majorticklength* | The length of major tick marks, in .Net device coordinates. |
| *tickdir* | The direction of the tick marks. Use one of the tick mark direction constants:  AXIS_MIN, AXIS_CENTER, or AXIS_MAX. |

Use the **SetLineWidth**, **SetLineStyle** and **SetColor** methods to customize the drawing properties of the lines used to draw the axis line and tick marks.

**Simple elapsed time axis example**

[C#]

```
// Define the coordinate system
TimeSpan xMin = TimeSpan.FromSeconds(0);
TimeSpan xMax = TimeSpan.FromSeconds(15);
double yMin = 0;
double yMax =  105;
ElapsedTimeCoordinates simpleScale =
            new ElapsedTimeCoordinates (xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);

// Create the x- and y-axes
ElapsedTimeAxis xAxis = new ElapsedTimeAxis (simpleScale, ChartObj.X_AXIS);
LinearAxis yAxis = new LinearAxis (simpleScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);

// Add the x- and y-axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
' Define the coordinate system
Dim xMin As TimeSpan = TimeSpan.FromSeconds(0)
Dim xMax As TimeSpan = TimeSpan.FromSeconds(15)
Dim yMin As Double = 0
Dim yMax As Double =  15
Dim simpleScale As ElapsedTimeCoordinates =      _
            New ElapsedTimeCoordinates (xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)

' Create the x- and y-axes
Dim xAxis As ElapsedTimeAxis = New ElapsedTimeAxis (simpleScale, ChartObj.X_AXIS)
Dim yAxis As LinearAxis = New LinearAxis (simpleScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)

' Add the x- and y-axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis)
```

# Event Axes

## Class EventAxis
## GraphObj

```
        |
    +--Axis
          |
        +-- LinearAxis
                |
              +--EventAxes
```
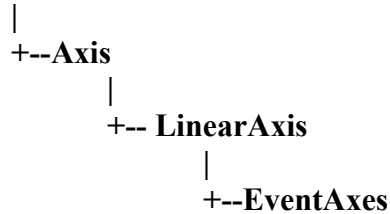
The **EventAxis** is subclassed from the **LinearAxis** class and has much in common with it. The major difference between the two is the way in which major and minor tick marks are calculated in the **CalcAutoAxis** method. The **EventAxis** places tick marks at the x-positions of the ChartEvent objects attached to the common EventCoordinate system. It places major tick marks at the ChartEvent objects which correspond to where an axis label is expected to go, and minor tick marks at events which fall between the major tick marks. If the tick marks start to overlap, tick marks are skipped in order to maintain the look of the chart.

## Tick Rules

The TickRule property controls the tick mark logic of the axis. Use one of the TICK_RULE enumeration constants:

NO_TICKS – do not display any tick marks. No tick marks means no axis labels.

MINOREVENT_MAJOREVENT – display a minor tick mark every AxisMinorNthTick  event, and a major tick mark every AxisMinorTicksPerMajor.

MAJOREVENT  - display a major tick mark every  AxisMajorNthTick  event.

MINORCROSSOVEREVENT_MAJORCROSSOVEREVENT – display a minor tick mark every  AxisMinorNthTick,  minor crossover event, and a major tick mark every  AxisMajorNthTick  major crossover event. The minor and major crossover events are controlled by the MajorTickCrossoverEvent and MinorTickCrossoverEvent properties of the EventAxis.

The  default is ChartObj.TICK_RULE.MINORCROSSOVEREVENT_MAJORCROSSOVEREVENT.

The term crossover event means that an element of date/time timestamp changes. If you specify a  MinorTickCrossoverEvent of ChartObj.SECOND, and an  AxisMinorNthTick of 15, this will cause a minor tick mark to be displayed every $15^{th}$ second, if an event falls within that range. So, if your events are spaced approximately 5 seconds apart, you will get a minor tick mark for approximately every three events. If you choose a MajorTickCrossoverEvent of ChartObj.MINUTE and an  AxisMajorNthTick of 1, this

will cause a major tick mark to be displayed every minute,  if an event falls within that range. Tick marks only show up on an event, so if there are no  events within the time interval, no tick mark will appear.

## Creating a Event Axis

There are two main constructors for **EventAxis** objects. The first **EventAxis** constructor assumes that the axis extents match the extents of the underlying coordinate system, *transform*. The second **EventAxis** constructor sets the axis extents to the specified minimum and maximum values, regardless of the underlying coordinate system.

### EventAxis constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal tickrule As TICK_RULE _
   ByVal axtype As Integer _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal tickrule As TICK_RULE _
   ByVal axtype As Integer, _
   ByVal minval As TimeSpan, _
   ByVal maxval As TimeSpan _
)


[C#]
public ElapsedTimeAxis(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   TICK_RULE tickrule,
   int axtype
);


public ElapsedTimeAxis (
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   TICK_RULE tickrule,
   int axtype,
   double minval,
   double maxval
);
```

*transform*      Places the axes in the coordinate system defined by transform.

*tickrule*      Specifies the tick rule used to calculated the tick marks: NO_TICKS,MINOREVENT_MAJOREVENT, MAJOREVENT, MINORCROSSOVEREVENT_MAJORCROSSOVEREVENT, MAJORCROSSOVEREVENT.

*axtype*      Specifies if the axis is an x-axis (X_AXIS), or a y-axis (Y_AXIS).

*minval*      Sets the minimum value for the axis.

*maxval*      Sets the maximum value for the axis.

Other axis properties: minor tick mark spacing, number of minor tick marks per major tick mark, axis intercept, tick mark lengths, tick mark direction and axis tick mark origin are automatically calculated using an auto-axis method. Set these properties explicitly if you need to override the automatically calculated values.

## SetAxisIntercept method

```
[Visual Basic]
Public Sub SetAxisIntercept( _
   ByVal intercept As Double _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisIntercept(
   double intercept
);
```

## SetAxisTicks method

```
 [Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetAxisTicks( _
   ByVal tickorigin As Double, _
   ByVal tickspace As Double, _
   ByVal ntickspermajor As Integer _
)

[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetAxisTicks( _
   ByVal tickorigin As Double, _
   ByVal tickspace As Double, _
   ByVal nminortickspermajor As Integer, _
   ByVal minorticklength As Double, _
   ByVal majorticklength As Double, _
   ByVal tickdir As Integer _
)


[C#]
public void SetAxisTicks(
   double tickorigin,
   double tickspace,
   int ntickspermajor
);

public void SetAxisTicks(
   double tickorigin,
   double tickspace,
   int nminortickspermajor,
   double minorticklength,
   double majorticklength,
   int tickdir
);
```

*intercept*      Sets the intercept of this axis with the perpendicular axis in physical coordinates.

*tickorigin*      The tick marks start at this value.

*tickspace*      Not used in event axis.

*ntickspermajor*      Specifies the number of minor tick marks per major tick mark.

*minorticklength*      The length of minor tick marks, in .Net device coordinates.

*majorticklength*      The length of major tick marks, in .Net device coordinates.

*tickdir*      The direction of the tick marks. Use one of the tick mark direction constants:  AXIS_MIN, AXIS_CENTER, or AXIS_MAX.

Use the **SetLineWidth**, **SetLineStyle** and **SetColor** methods to customize the drawing properties of the lines used to draw the axis line and tick marks.

**Simple event axis example**

[C#]

```
EventSimpleDataset Dataset1 = new EventSimpleDataset("Actual Sales", chartevents);
 EventCoordinates pTransform1 = new EventCoordinates(Dataset1);
 pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(0);
 pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, .15, .9, 0.8);
 Background background = new Background(pTransform1, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND,
     Color.FromArgb(30, 70, 70), Color.FromArgb(90, 20, 155), ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
 chartVu.AddChartObject(background);

 EventAxis xAxis = new EventAxis(pTransform1, EventAxis.TICK_RULE.MAJOREVENT,
ChartObj.X_AXIS);
 xAxis.SetColor(Color.White);
 chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);

 LinearAxis yAxis = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
 yAxis.SetColor(Color.White);
 chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
 Dim Dataset1 As New EventSimpleDataset("Actual Sales", chartevents)
 Dim pTransform1 As New EventCoordinates(Dataset1)
 pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(0)

 pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, 0.15, 0.9, 0.8)
 Dim background As New Background(pTransform1, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND,
Color.FromArgb(30, 70, 70), Color.FromArgb(90, 20, 155), ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
 chartVu.AddChartObject(background)

 Dim xAxis As New EventAxis(pTransform1, EventAxis.TICK_RULE.MAJOREVENT,
ChartObj.X_AXIS)
 xAxis.SetColor(Color.White)
 chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)

 Dim yAxis As New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
 yAxis.SetColor(Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis)
```

# Polar Axes

Polar axes provide the visual scale needed to compare data values that use polar coordinates. A polar axis consists of two parts. The first part is a pair of linear x- and y-axes intersecting at the center, Cartesian coordinate (0, 0). The second part of a polar axis is a circle with radius R, centered on the origin.

## Class PolarAxes

**GraphObj**
```
     |
   +--Axis
        |
      +-- LinearAxis
             |
           +-- PolarAxes
```
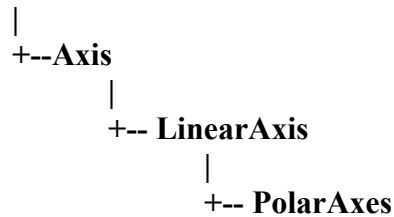
The **PolarAxes** class creates a polar axes object that combines linear x- and y-axes for measurement of the polar magnitude, and a circular axis for measurement of the polar angle. The **PolarAxes** class extends the **LinearAxis** class. This is useful because the **LinearAxis** already has member variables that define properties and draw the tick marks for the circular axis. The **PolarAxes** class also includes uses two additional **LinearAxis** objects in support of the x and y linear axes used in the drawing of the polar magnitude axes.

### Polar Axis Minimum and Maximum

Polar axes have only one scaling value, the maximum value of the polar magnitude, designated R. The minimum value is always 0.0. The limits of the x- and y-axis are set to +-R with the intercept for each axis set to 0.0. The polar angle scale is always 360 degrees, corresponding to a full circle.

### Polar Axis Minor and Major Tick Mark Intervals

Polar axes use two sets of tick mark properties; one set for the x- and y-axes and the other set for the circular axis. The x- and y-axes use the same values for the major and minor tick mark spacing, partitioning the axes between +-R endpoints. The circular axis also uses major and minor tick marks, analogous to the hour and minute marks of a clock.

### Creating polar axes

There is only one constructor for **PolarAxes** objects.

```
PolarAxes(PolarCoordinates transform)
```

*transform*        The *transform* coordinate system defines the axis extents of the polar axes.

The **PolarAxes** constructor assumes that the axis extents match the extents of the underlying coordinate system, *transform*.

Other axis properties: minor tick mark spacing, number of minor tick marks per major tick mark, tick mark direction and tick mark lengths are automatically calculated using an auto-axis method. These properties can be explicitly set if you need to override the automatically calculated values.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetPolarAxesTicks( _
   ByVal axestickspace As Double, _
   ByVal axesntickspermajor As Integer, _
   ByVal angletickspace As Double, _
   ByVal anglentickspermajor As Integer _
)

Overloads Public Sub SetPolarAxesTicks( _
   ByVal axestickspace As Double, _
   ByVal axesntickspermajor As Integer, _
   ByVal angletickspace As Double, _
   ByVal anglentickspermajor As Integer, _
   ByVal minorticklength As Double, _
   ByVal majorticklength As Double, _
   ByVal tickdir As Integer _
)
```

```
[C#]
public void SetPolarAxesTicks(
   double axestickspace,
   int axesntickspermajor,
   double angletickspace,
   int anglentickspermajor
);

public void SetPolarAxesTicks(
   double axestickspace,
   int axesntickspermajor,
   double angletickspace,
   int anglentickspermajor,
   double minorticklength,
   double majorticklength,
   int tickdir
);
```

*axestickspace*        Specifies the spacing between minor tick marks for the x- and y-axes.

| | |
|---|---|
| *axesntickspermajor* | Specifies the number of minor tick marks per major tick mark for the x- and y-axes. |
| *angletickspace* | Specifies the spacing, in degrees, between minor tick marks for the radial axis. |
| *anglentickspermajor* | Specifies the number of minor tick marks per major tick mark for the radial axis. |
| *minorticlength* | The length of minor tick marks, in .Net device coordinates. |
| *majorticlength* | The length of major tick marks, in .Net device coordinates. |
| *tickdir* | The direction of the tick marks. Use one of the tick mark direction constants: AXIS_MIN, AXIS_CENTER, or AXIS_MAX. |

Use the **SetLineWidth**, **SetLineStyle** and **SetColor** methods to customize the drawing properties of the lines used to draw the axes lines and tick marks.

## Simple polar axes example

[C#]

```
double polarmagnitude = 5.0;
PolarCoordinates polarscale = new PolarCoordinates(polarmagnitude);
PolarAxes polarAxes = new PolarAxes(polarscale);
// Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
ChartView chartVu  = new ChartView();
// Add the polar axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(polarAxes);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim polarmagnitude As Double = 5.0
Dim polarscale As PolarCoordinates = New PolarCoordinates(polarmagnitude)
Dim polarAxes As PolarAxes = New PolarAxes(polarscale)
' Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()
' Add the polar axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(polarAxes)
```

## Custom polar axes example

[C#]

```
double polarmagnitude = 15.0;
PolarCoordinates polarscale = new PolarCoordinates(polarmagnitude);
PolarAxes polarAxes = new PolarAxes(polarscale);

double axestickspace = 1;
int axesntickspermajor = 5;
double angletickspace = 50;
int anglentickspermajor = 6;
```

```
double minorticlength = 5;
double majorticlength = 10;
int tickdir = ChartObj.AXIS_CENTER;

polarAxes.SetPolarAxesTicks(axestickspace, axesntickspermajor,
               angletickspace, anglentickspermajor,
               minorticlength, majorticlength,
               tickdir);
// Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
ChartView chartVu  = new ChartView();
// Add the polar axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(polarAxes);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim polarmagnitude As Double = 15.0
Dim polarscale As PolarCoordinates = New PolarCoordinates(polarmagnitude)
Dim polarAxes As PolarAxes = New PolarAxes(polarscale)
Dim axestickspace As Double = 1
Dim axesntickspermajor As Integer
Dim angletickspace As Double = 50
Dim anglentickspermajor As Integer
Dim minorticlength As Double = 5
Dim majorticlength As Double = 10
Dim tickdir As Integer = ChartObj.AXIS_CENTER

polarAxes.SetPolarAxesTicks(axestickspace, axesntickspermajor, _
            angletickspace, anglentickspermajor, _
            minorticlength, majorticlength, _
            tickdir)
' Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()
' Add the polar axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(polarAxes)
```

# Antenna Axes

Antenna axes provide the visual scale needed to compare data values that use antenna coordinates. An antenna axis consists of two parts. The first part is a linear y-axis extending from the origin to the outer edge of the radial scale. The second part of an antenna axis is a circle with a radius equal to the range of the radial scale, centered on the origin.

## Class AntennaAxes
**GraphObj**

```
     |
   +--Axis
         |
       +-- LinearAxis
              |
            +-- AntennaAxes
```
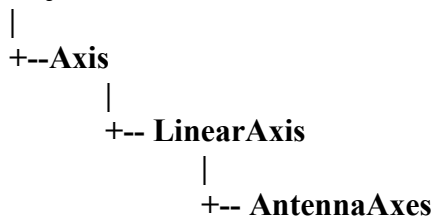
The **AntennaAxes** class creates an antenna axes object that combines a linear y-axis for measurement of the radial values, and a circular axis for the measurement of the angular

values. The **AntennaAxes** class extends the **LinearAxis** class. This is useful because the **LinearAxis** already has member variables that define properties and draw the tick marks for the circular axis.

### Antenna Axis Minimum and Maximum

Antenna axes use two scaling values, a minimum and maximum radius value. The radius minimum value is set at the origin of the coordinate system, and the radius maximum value at the outer edge. The radius starting and ending values can be positive or negative. The maximum value should always be greater than the minimum value though.  The angular scale is always 360 degrees, corresponding to a full circle. The angular scale starts with 0 degrees at 12:00 and increases clockwise.

### Antenna Axis Minor and Major Tick Mark Intervals

Antenna axes use two sets of tick mark properties; one set for the y-axis and the other set for the circular axis. The y-axis has major and minor tick mark properties, as does the circular axis.

### Creating antenna axes

There is only one constructor for **AntennaAxes** objects.

```
AntennaAxes(AntennaCoordinates transform)
```

*transform*　　　The *transform* coordinate system defines the axis extents of the antenna axes.

The **AntennaAxes** constructor assumes that the axis extents match the extents of the underlying coordinate system, *transform*.

Other axis properties: minor tick mark spacing, number of minor tick marks per major tick mark, tick mark direction and tick mark lengths are automatically calculated using an auto-axis method. These properties can be explicitly set if you need to override the automatically calculated values.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetAntennaAxesTicks( _
   ByVal axestickspace As Double, _
   ByVal axesntickspermajor As Integer, _
   ByVal angletickspace As Double, _
   ByVal anglentickspermajor As Integer _
)
```

```
Overloads Public Sub SetAntennaAxesTicks( _
   ByVal axestickspace As Double, _
   ByVal axesntickspermajor As Integer, _
   ByVal angletickspace As Double, _
   ByVal anglentickspermajor As Integer, _
   ByVal minorticklength As Double, _
   ByVal majorticklength As Double, _
   ByVal tickdir As Integer _
)
```

```
[C#]
public void SetAntennaAxesTicks(
   double axestickspace,
   int axesntickspermajor,
   double angletickspace,
   int anglentickspermajor
);

public void SetAntennaAxesTicks(
   double axestickspace,
   int axesntickspermajor,
   double angletickspace,
   int anglentickspermajor,
   double minorticklength,
   double majorticklength,
   int tickdir
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *axestickspace* | Specifies the spacing between minor tick marks for the x- and y-axes. |
| *axesntickspermajor* | Specifies the number of minor tick marks per major tick mark for the x- and y-axes. |
| *angletickspace* | Specifies the spacing, in degrees, between minor tick marks for the radial axis. |
| *anglentickspermajor* | Specifies the number of minor tick marks per major tick mark for the radial axis. |
| *minorticlength* | The length of minor tick marks, in .Net device coordinates. |
| *majorticlength* | The length of major tick marks, in .Net device coordinates. |
| *tickdir* | The direction of the tick marks. Use one of the tick mark direction constants:  AXIS_MIN, AXIS_CENTER, or AXIS_MAX. |

Use the **SetLineWidth**, **SetLineStyle** and **SetColor** methods to customize the drawing properties of the lines used to draw the axes lines and tick marks.

## Simple antenna axes example

[C#]

```csharp
double minvalue  = -40, maxvalue = 20;
AntennaCoordinates antennascale = new AntennaCoordinates(minvalue, maxvalue);
AntennaAxes antennaAxes = new AntennaAxes(antennascale);
// Add the Antenna axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(antennaAxes);
```

[Visual Basic]

```vbnet
Dim minvalue As Double = -40
Dim maxvalue As Double = 20
Dim antennascale As AntennaCoordinates = _
     New AntennaCoordinates(minvalue, maxvalue)
Dim antennaAxes As AntennaAxes = New AntennaAxes(antennascale)
' Add the Antenna axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(antennaAxes)
```

## Custom antenna axes example

[C#]

```csharp
double minvalue  = -40, maxvalue = 20;
AntennaCoordinates antennascale = new AntennaCoordinates(minvalue, maxvalue);
AntennaAxes antennaAxes = new AntennaAxes(antennascale);

double axestickspace = 1;
int axesntickspermajor = 5;
double angletickspace = 5;
int anglentickspermajor = 6;
double minorticlength = 5;
double majorticlength = 10;
int tickdir = ChartObj.AXIS_CENTER;

antennaAxes.SetAntennaAxesTicks(axestickspace, axesntickspermajor,
                angletickspace, anglentickspermajor,
                minorticlength, majorticlength,
                tickdir);
// Add the Antenna axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(antennaAxes);
```

[Visual Basic]

```vbnet
Dim minvalue As Double = -40
Dim maxvalue As Double = 20
 Dim antennascale As AntennaCoordinates = _
       New AntennaCoordinates(minvalue, maxvalue)
 Dim antennaAxes As AntennaAxes = New AntennaAxes(antennascale)
 Dim axestickspace As Double = 1
 Dim axesntickspermajor As Integer = 5
 Dim angletickspace As Double = 5
 Dim anglentickspermajor As Integer = 6
 Dim minorticlength As Double = 5
 Dim majorticlength As Double = 10
 Dim tickdir As Integer = ChartObj.AXIS_CENTER

 antennaAxes.SetAntennaAxesTicks(axestickspace, axesntickspermajor, _
             angletickspace, anglentickspermajor, _
             minorticlength, majorticlength, _
```

```
                tickdir)
' Add the Antenna axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(antennaAxes)
```

# 8. Axis Labels

**AxisLabels**
  **NumericAxisLabels**
  **TimeAxisLabels**
  **ElapsedTimeAxisLabels**
  **EventAxisLabels**
  **StringAxisLabels**
  **PolarAxesLabels**
  **AntennaAxesLabels**

## Axis Labels

Axis labels are numeric or text strings placed next to axis tick marks, indicating the scale of the axis. Axis labels are a separate class from the axis classes. An axis class, i.e. any class derived from **Axis**, can exist independent of axis labels. Many graphs use axes that do not have labels. For example, the y-axis on the left side of a graph may have labels, while an identical axis on the right hand side of the graph may not. The axis label classes require a valid reference axis class and cannot exist independently.

There are seven axis labels classes: the **AxisLabels** abstract base class and concrete subclasses **NumericAxisLabels**, **TimeAxisLabels, ElapsedTimeAxisLabels, EventAxisLabels, StringAxisLabels**, **PolarAxesLabels** and **AntennaAxesLabels.**.

### Label Formats

An axis label can take many forms. The various axis label formats are divided between the axis labels classes in the following manner.

**NumericAxisLabels**
The **LinearAxis** and **LogAxis** axis types use this class.

- Full decimal conversion ( 0.000015)
- Scientific notation (1.5e-5)
- Exponent notation ($1.5 \times 10^{-5}$)
- Percent format (76%)
- Business format where B, M and K are used to represent billions, millions and thousands (1043M, 11.0K)
- Currency format ($123432)
- Business currency format – The business format combined with the currency format ($123K)

**StringAxisLabels**

The **LinearAxis** and **LogAxis** axis types use this class.

Arbitrary strings ("MA", "PA", "JEFF","Sales") are used to label the major tick marks of the axis.

### TimeAxisLabels

The **TimeAxis** axis types use this class.

- Time formats (hh:mm:ss, hh:mm, mm:ss, etc.)
- Date formats (mm/dd/yy, dd/mm/yy, mm/yy, etc.)
- Time/Date formats (mmm/ddd/yyy hh:mm:ss)

### ElapsedTimeAxisLabels

The **ElapsedTimeAxisLabels** are used in combination with the **ElapsedTimeAxis** type**.**

Elapsed time formats (hh:mm:ss, hh:mm, mm:ss, mm:ss.fff, etc.)

### EventAxisLabels

The EventeAxisLabels are used in combination with the **EventAxis** type**.**

- Time formats (hh:mm:ss, hh:mm, mm:ss, etc.)
- Date formats (mm/dd/yy, dd/mm/yy, mm/yy, etc.)
- Time/Date formats (mmm/ddd/yyy hh:mm:ss)

### PolarAxesLabels

This class displays numeric labels exclusively for the **PolarAxes** class. It uses labels in the same format as the **NumericAxisLabels**.

### AntennaAxesLabels

This class displays numeric labels exclusively for the **AntennaAxes** class. It uses labels in the same format as the **NumericAxisLabels**.

## Class AxisLabels

**GraphObj**
```
     |
   +-- ChartText
           |
         +-- AxisLabels
```
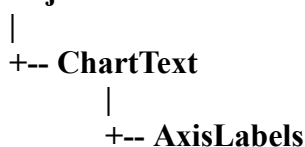
The **AxisLabels** class is the abstract base class for all axis label objects. It contains the properties and methods common to subclasses implementing more specialized axis labels.

**Axis Label Text**

The **AxisLabels** class includes a reference to a **Font** object. If a valid font is not supplied a default font is created and used. Every axis labels object can have a unique font associated with it. The **Font** object defines the font typeface, size, and style. The font for any of the axis labels can be set using the **AxisLabels.SetTextFont** method. The **AxisLabels** class manages other text attributes not directly associated with the font. These include the text foreground color, the text background color and the rotation of the text if it is different from the normal horizontal orientation. It is common to rotate x-axis labels 90 degrees, so that they are vertical rather than horizontal, in order to squeeze more tick mark labels in along the x-axis.

**Axis Labels Positioning**

The **AxisLabels** class manages the placement of the axis labels with respect to the underlying axis tick marks. Labels can be place above or below the tick marks of a horizontal x-axis, and to the left or right of the tick marks for a vertical y-axis. The axis label justification constants AXIS_MIN and AXIS_MAX are used for this purpose. The AXIS_MIN constant places the text label on the side of the tick mark that is in the direction of the perpendicular axis coordinate system minimum. The AXIS_MAX is much the same, except that it places the label on the side that is in the direction of the perpendicular axis coordinate system maximum. Axis labels should not actually touch the tick marks, so x and y offsets are factored in. The programmer can modify these offsets.

# Numeric Axis Labels

**Class NumericAxisLabels**
**GraphObj**
```
     |
    +-- ChartText
            |
           +-- AxisLabels
                   |
                  +-- NumericAxisLabels
```
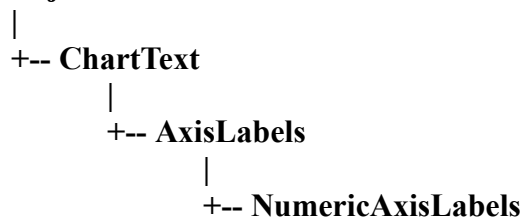
The **NumericAxisLabels** class extends the **AxisLabels** class, adding extensive numeric formatting capability. It labels axes created using the **LinearAxis** and **LogAxis** classes.

**Label formats**

An axis label can take many forms. Variations on these forms include:

- Full decimal conversion ( 0.000015)
- Scientific notation (1.5e-5)
- Exponent notation ($1.5 \times 10^{-5}$)
- Percent format (76%)
- Business format where B, M and K are used to represent billions, millions and thousands (1043M, 11.0K)
- Currency format ($123432)
- Business currency format – The business format combined with the currency format ($123K)

Depending on the scaling of the associated axis, the numeric values of the axis labels may be very large or very small numbers requiring a great deal of space to display. Various techniques are used to abbreviate the numeric value, reducing the space requirements. Expressing a numeric value in scientific notation can reduce the amount of space a label requires, if the numeric value requires eight or more digits. If the label values end in a lot of zeros (10000000, 9000000, 8000000…), a major reduction in space is achieved by using the business format which replaces all of the zeros with a letter (10M, 9M, 8M, …).

The axis numeric labels constants are listed below:

**Numeric Format Constant  Description**

| Numeric Format Constant | Description |
| --- | --- |
| DECIMALFORMAT | Decimal format, i.e. 1234.563 |
| SCIENTIFICFORMAT | Scientific or exponential format: 1.23e3 |
| BUSINESSFORMAT | Business format where the letters K, M, B or T are appended on the end a truncated numeric value, i.e. 1.23, 14K, 44M, 32B, 3.0T |
| ENGINEERINGFORMAT | If the absolute value of the label is greater than 1.0e6, or less than 1.0e-6, the scientific format is used, else the decimal format is used. |
| PERCENTFORMAT | The value of a label is multiplied by 100 and the character '%' is appended on the end of the label. |
| EXPONENTFORMAT | The value of a label is multiplied by 100 and the character '%' is appended on the end of the label. |
| CURRENCEYBUSINESSFORMAT | A '$' character is appended to the front of the label and the values are abbreviated the same as the BUSINESSFORMAT |

CURRENCEYFORMAT A '\$' character is appended to the front of the label. .

## NumericAxisLabels constructor

There is only one main constructor for **NumericAxisLabels** objects.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal baseaxis As Axis _
)
[C#]
public NumericAxisLabels(
   Axis baseaxis
);
```

*baseaxis*       This is the axis the axis labels are for.

Other axis label properties: font, rotation, numeric format, axis labels direction and numeric precision are automatically set. These properties can be explicitly set if you need to override the automatically calculated values.

## SetAxisLabels method

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetAxisLabels( _
   ByVal font As Font, _
   ByVal rotation As Double, _
   ByVal labdir As Integer, _
   ByVal decimalpos As Integer, _
   ByVal labelends As Integer, _
   ByVal labcolor As Color _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisLabels(
   Font font,
   double rotation,
   int labdir,
   int decimalpos,
   int labelends,
   Color labcolor
);
```

## SetAxisLabelsFormat method

```
[Visual Basic]
Public Sub SetAxisLabelsFormat( _
   ByVal format As Integer _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisLabelsFormat(
   int format
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *font* | The font object used to display the axis label text. |
| *rotation* | The rotation, in degrees, of label text in the normal viewing plane. |
| *labdir* | The justification of the axis label (AXIS_MIN or AXIS_MAX) with respect to the tick mark endpoint. |
| *decimal* | Sets the number of digits to the right of the decimal point for numeric axis labels. |
| *labelends* | Specifies whether there should be labels for the axis minimum (LABEL_MIN), maximum (LABEL_MAX) or tick mark starting point (LABEL_ORIGIN). The value of these constants can be OR'd together. The value of LABEL_MIN \| LABEL_MAX \| LABEL_ORIGIN is LABEL_ALL |
| *labcolor* | The color of the label text. |
| *format* | Sets the numeric format for the axis labels. Use one of the numeric format constants: DECIMALFORMAT, SCIENTIFICFORMAT, EXPONENTFORMAT, BUSINESSFORMAT, ENGINEERINGFORMAT, PERCENTFORMAT, CURRENCEYFORMAT, CURRENCYBUSINESSFORMAT. |

## Simple numeric axis labels example

[C#]

```
// Define the coordinate system
double xMin = -5;
double xMax = 15;
double yMin = 0;
double yMax =  105;
CartesianCoordinates simpleScale =
             new CartesianCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);

// Create the x- and y-axes
LinearAxis xAxis =
new LinearAxis(simpleScale, ChartObj.X_AXIS);
LinearAxis yAxis = new LinearAxis(simpleScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
NumericAxisLabels xAxisLabels =  new NumericAxisLabels(xAxis);
NumericAxisLabels yAxisLabels =  new NumericAxisLabels(yAxis);
// Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
ChartView chartVu  = new ChartView();

// Add the x- and y-axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis);
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLabels);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLabels);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
' Define the coordinate system
Dim xMin As Double = -5
Dim xMax As Double = 15
Dim yMin As Double = 0
Dim yMax As Double = 105
Dim simpleScale As CartesianCoordinates = _
            New CartesianCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)


' Create the x- and y-axes
Dim xAxis As LinearAxis = _
        New LinearAxis(simpleScale, ChartObj.X_AXIS)
Dim yAxis As LinearAxis = New LinearAxis(simpleScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
Dim xAxisLabels As NumericAxisLabels = New NumericAxisLabels(xAxis)
Dim yAxisLabels As NumericAxisLabels = New NumericAxisLabels(yAxis)
' Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
 Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()
' Add the x- and y-axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLabels)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLabels)
```

Should want to customize the axis you can add the following lines after the *xAxisLabels* object is created:

## Custom numeric axis labels example

[C#]

```
Font labelfont = new Font("Helvetica", 10, FontStyle.BOLD);

double xAxisLabelsRotation = 0.0;
int xAxisLabelsDir = ChartObj.AXIS_MIN;
int xAxisLabelsDecimal = 1;
int xAxisLabelsEnds = ChartObj.LABEL_ALL;
Color xAxisLabelsColor = Color.Black;
int xAxisNumericFormat = ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT;

xAxisLabels.SetAxisLabels( labelfont, xAxisLabelsRotation,
                           xAxisLabelsDir, xAxisLabelsDecimal,
                           xAxisLabelsEnds, xAxisLabelsColor);
xAxisLabels.SetAxisLabelsFormat(xAxisNumericFormat);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim labelfont As Font = New Font("Helvetica", 10, FontStyle.Bold)
Dim xAxisLabelsRotation As Double = 0.0
Dim xAxisLabelsDir As Integer = ChartObj.AXIS_MIN
Dim xAxisLabelsDecimal As Integer = 1
Dim xAxisLabelsEnds As Integer = ChartObj.LABEL_ALL
Dim xAxisLabelsColor As Color = Color.Black
Dim xAxisNumericFormat As Integer = ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT

xAxisLabels.SetAxisLabels(labelfont, xAxisLabelsRotation, _
                          xAxisLabelsDir, xAxisLabelsDecimal, _
                          xAxisLabelsEnds, xAxisLabelsColor)
xAxisLabels.SetAxisLabelsFormat(xAxisNumericFormat)
```

# String Axis Labels

## Class StringAxisLabels

**GraphObj**
```
       |
     +-- ChartText
            |
          +-- AxisLabels
                 |
               +-- StringAxisLabels
```
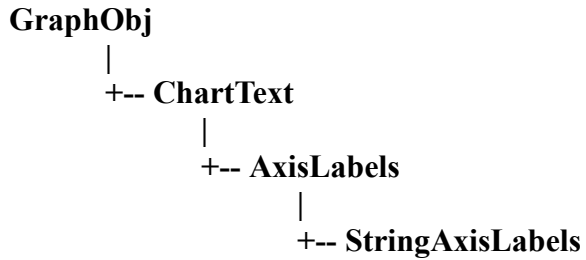
Use the **StringAxisLabels** class to label major tick marks of a linear or logarithmic axis with arbitrary strings.

### StringAxisLabels constructor

There is only one main constructor for **StringAxisLabels** objects.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal baseaxis As Axis _
)
[C#]
public StringAxisLabels(
   Axis baseaxis
);
```

*baseaxis*        This is the axis the axis labels are for.

The axis strings, and other axis label properties: font, rotation, numeric format, axis labels direction and numeric precision are automatically set. These properties can be explicitly set if you need to override the automatically calculated values.

### SetAxisLabels method

```
Visual Basic (Declaration)
Public Sub SetAxisLabels ( _
    font As Font, _
    rotation As Double, _
    labdir As Integer, _
    labelends As Integer, _
    labcolor As Color, _
    tickstrings As String(), _
    numtickstrings As Integer _
)

C#
public void SetAxisLabels(
    Font font,
    double rotation,
    int labdir,
    int labelends,
    Color labcolor,
    string[] tickstrings,
    int numtickstrings
)
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *font* | The font object used to display the axis label text. |
| *rotation* | The rotation, in degrees, of label text in the normal viewing plane. |
| *labdir* | The justification of the axis label (AXIS_MIN or AXIS_MAX) with respect to the tick mark endpoint. |
| *decimal* | Sets the number of digits to the right of the decimal point for numeric axis labels. |
| *labelends* | Specifies whether there should be labels for the axis minimum (LABEL_MIN), maximum (LABEL_MAX) or tick mark starting point (LABEL_ORIGIN). The value of these constants can be OR'd together. The value of LABEL_MIN \| LABEL_MAX \| LABEL_ORIGIN is LABEL_ALL |
| *labcolor* | The color of the label text. |
| *tickstrings* | *A*array of strings, one for each major tick mark that you want labeled. |
| *numtickstrings* | The number of strings in the tickstrings array. |

If you want the first major tick mark, usually the intercept of the y-axis with the x-axis, to remain empty, just initialize the .first element of the tickstrings array to the empty string, "", as in the example below.

**Simple string axis labels example, extracted from the BarGraphs.LandOfTheFry example program.**

[C#]

```csharp
int NumberOfCountries = 13;
int NumberOfGroups = 2;
String [] CountryNames =
    {
    "","China", "Japan", "Russia", "Italy", "Sweden",
    "Denmark", "Mexico", "Brazil", "France",
    "Australia", "Spain", "United States", "England"};

    // Positions bar
double []x1 = new double[NumberOfCountries];
.
.
.
// Y-axis string labels
// Each string will label a major tick mark
StringAxisLabels yAxisLab1 = new StringAxisLabels(yAxis1);
yAxisLab1.SetAxisLabels(theFont,0,
```

```
        ChartObj.AXIS_MIN, ChartObj.LABEL_ALL,
        Color.Black,CountryNames,14);
        yAxisLab1.SetColor(Color.Black);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim NumberOfCountries As Integer = 13
Dim NumberOfGroups As Integer = 2
Dim CountryNames As [String]() = {"", "China", "Japan", "Russia", "Italy",
"Sweden", "Denmark", "Mexico", "Brazil", "France", "Australia", "Spain", "United
States", "England"}

' Positions bar
Dim x1(NumberOfCountries) As Double

' Overweight data for magnitude of of stacked bars
' Make sure arrays are sized for [0..N-1]
Dim Men(NumberOfGroups - 1, NumberOfCountries - 1) As Double
Dim Women(NumberOfGroups - 1, NumberOfCountries - 1) As Double

.
.
.

' Y-axis string labels
' Each string will label a major tick mark
Dim yAxisLab1 As New StringAxisLabels(yAxis1)
yAxisLab1.SetAxisLabels(theFont, 0, ChartObj.AXIS_MIN, ChartObj.LABEL_ALL,
Color.Black, CountryNames, 14)
yAxisLab1.SetColor(Color.Black)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab1)
```

# Time and Date Axis Labels

## Class TimeAxisLabels

**GraphObj**
    |
    **+-- ChartText**
        |
        **+-- AxisLabels**
            |
            **+-- TimeAxisLabels**
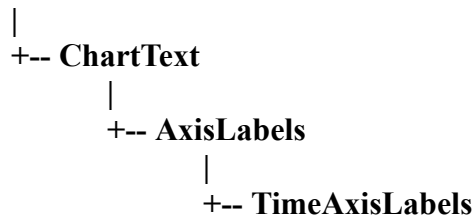
The **TimeAxisLabels** class extends the **AxisLabels** class, adding extensive time and date formatting capability. Use it to label axes created using the **TimeAxis** class.

**Label formats**

A time axis label can take many forms. Variations on these forms include:

- Time formats (hh:mm:ss, hh:mm, mm:ss, etc.)
- Date formats (mm/dd/yy, dd/mm/yy, mm/yy, etc.)

There are more ways to format time and date information than numeric data. The **QCChart2D for .Net** software directly supports twelve time formats and eighteen date formats. It is also possible to create custom date/time formats. The software makes use of the **System.DateTime.ToString** `method` to format times and dates. A table listing predefined date/time formats appears below.

| Date/Time Format Constant | Format String | Example String Result |
|---|---|---|
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MSDDD | "mm:ss.fff" | 12.33.999 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MSDD | "mm:ss.ff" | 12.33.99 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MSD | "mm:ss.f" | 12.33.9 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MS | "m:ss" | 12:33 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_12HMSDD | "h:mm.ss.ff" | 11:12:33.99 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_12HMSD | "h:mm.ss.f" | 11:12:33.9 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_12HMS | "h:mm:ss" | 11:12:33 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_12HM | "h:mm" | 11:12 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMDDD | "H:mm:ss.ff" | 23:12:33.99 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMDD | "H:mm:ss.f" | 23:12:33.9 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMS | "H:mm:ss" | 23:12:33 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HM | "H:mm" | 23:12 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_STANDARD | "MMMMM dd, yyyy" | December 7, 2000 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY | "M/dd/yy" | 12/07/00 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_DMY | "d/MM/yy" | 7/12/00 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MY | "M/yy" | 7/00 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_Q | None | Q1 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MMMM | "MMMM" | January |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MMM | "MMM" | Jan |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_M | "MMM" | J |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_DDDD | "dddd" | Tuesday |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_DDD | "ddd" | Tue |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_D | "ddd" | T |
| | | |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_Y | "yy" | 00 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY2000 | "M/dd/yyyy" | 12/07/2000 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_DMY2000 | "d/MM/yyyy" | 7/12/2000 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MY2000 | "M/yyyy" | 7/2000 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_Y2000 | "yyyy" | 2000 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY_HMS | "H:mm:ss\nM/dd/yy" | 12:23:33<br>12/07/00 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_DMY_HMS | "H:mm:ss\nd/M/yy" | 23:12:33<br>12/07/00 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY_HM | "H:mm\nM/dd/yy" | 12:23:33<br>12/07/00 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_DMY_HM | "H:mm\nd/M/yy" | 23:12:33<br>12/07/00 |

In some cases, the TIMEDATEFORMAT_Q format for example, the **DateTime.ToString** class does not handle the desired conversion. In cases like this the date/time Format constant is trapped and undergoes additional processing to create the final label. That is why some of the date format strings are the same, event though the resulting labels are different.

**TimeAxis Labels constructor**

There is only one main constructor for **TimeAxisLabels** objects.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal baseaxis As TimeAxis _
)
```

```
[C#]
public TimeAxisLabels(
   TimeAxis baseaxis
);
```

*baseaxis*      This is the time axis the axis labels are for.

Other axis label properties: font, rotation, numeric format, axis labels direction and numeric precision are automatically set. These properties can be explicitly set if you need to override the automatically calculated values.

## SetAxisLabels method

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetAxisLabels( _
   ByVal font As Font, _
   ByVal rotation As Double, _
   ByVal labdir As Integer, _
   ByVal decimalpos As Integer, _
   ByVal labelends As Integer, _
   ByVal labcolor As Color _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisLabels(
   Font font,
   double rotation,
   int labdir,
   int decimalpos,
   int labelends,
   Color labcolor
);
```

## SetAxisLabelsFormat method

```
[Visual Basic]
Public Sub SetAxisLabelsFormat( _
   ByVal format As Integer _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisLabelsFormat(
   int format
);
```

*font*      The font object used to display the axis label text.

*rotation*      The rotation, in degrees, of label text in the normal viewing plane.

*labdir*      The justification of the axis label (AXIS_MIN or AXIS_MAX) with respect to the tick mark endpoint.

*decimal*      Sets the number of digits to the right of the decimal point for numeric axis labels.

| | |
|---|---|
| *labelends* | Ignored for time axis labels |
| *labcolor* | The color of the label text. |
| *format* | Sets the numeric format for the axis labels. Use one of the time format constants: |

TIMEDATEFORMAT_MSDDD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MSDD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MSD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MS, TIMEDATEFORMAT_12HMSDD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_12HMSD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_12HMS, TIMEDATEFORMAT_12HM, TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMSDD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMSD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMS, TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HM, TIMEDATEFORMAT_STANDARD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY,TIMEDATEFORMAT_DMY, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MY, TIMEDATEFORMAT_Q, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MMMM,  TIMEDATEFORMAT_MMM, TIMEDATEFORMAT_M, TIMEDATEFORMAT_DDDD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_DDD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_D, TIMEDATEFORMAT_Y, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY2000, TIMEDATEFORMAT_DMY2000, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MY2000, TIMEDATEFORMAT_Y2000,

TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY_HMS, TIMEDATEFORMAT_DMY_HMS, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY_HM, TIMEDATEFORMAT_DMY_HM.

## Simple time axis labels example

[C#]

```
// Define a Time coordinate system
ChartCalendar xMin = new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,  5);
ChartCalendar xMax = new ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY,  5);
double yMin = 0;
double yMax =  105;

TimeCoordinates simpleTimeScale;
simpleTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);
// Create the time axis (x-axis is assumed)
TimeAxis xAxis = new TimeAxis(simpleTimeScale);
// Create the linear y-axis
LinearAxis yAxis =
new LinearAxis(simpleTimeScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
TimeAxisLabels xAxisLabels = new TimeAxisLabels(xAxis);
NumericAxisLabels yAxisLabels = new NumericAxisLabels(yAxis);
```

```
// Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
ChartView chartVu  = new ChartView();

// Add the x- and y-axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis);
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLabels);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLabels);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
' Define a Time coordinate system
 Dim xMin As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY, 5)
 Dim xMax As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY, 5)
 Dim yMin As Double = 0
 Dim yMax As Double = 105

 Dim simpleTimeScale As TimeCoordinates
 simpleTimeScale = New TimeCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)
 ' Create the time axis (x-axis is assumed)
 Dim xAxis As TimeAxis = New TimeAxis(simpleTimeScale)
 ' Create the linear y-axis
 Dim yAxis As LinearAxis = _
        New LinearAxis(simpleTimeScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
 Dim xAxisLabels As TimeAxisLabels = New TimeAxisLabels(xAxis)
 Dim yAxisLabels As NumericAxisLabels = New NumericAxisLabels(yAxis)

 ' Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
 Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()

 ' Add the x- and y-axes to the chartVu object
 chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)
 chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis)
 chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLabels)
 chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLabels)
```

## Custom time axis labels example

[C#]

```
Font labelfont = new Font("Helvetica", 10, FontStyle.BOLD);

double xAxisLabelsRotation = 0.0;
int xAxisLabelsDir = ChartObj.AXIS_MIN;
int xAxisLabelsEnds = ChartObj.LABEL_ALL;
Color xAxisLabelsColor = Color.Black;
int xAxisNumericFormat = ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_MY;

xAxisLabels.SetAxisLabels( labelfont, xAxisLabelsRotation,
                           xAxisLabelsDir,
                           xAxisLabelsEnds, xAxisLabelsColor);
xAxisLabels.SetAxisLabelsFormat(xAxisNumericFormat);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim labelfont As Font = New Font("Helvetica", 10, FontStyle.Bold)
Dim xAxisLabelsRotation As Double = 0.0
Dim xAxisLabelsDir As Integer = ChartObj.AXIS_MIN
Dim xAxisLabelsEnds As Integer = ChartObj.LABEL_ALL
```

```
Dim xAxisLabelsColor As Color = Color.Black
Dim xAxisNumericFormat As Integer = ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_MY

xAxisLabels.SetAxisLabels(labelfont, xAxisLabelsRotation, _
             xAxisLabelsDir, xAxisLabelsEnds, xAxisLabelsColor)
xAxisLabels.SetAxisLabelsFormat(xAxisNumericFormat)
```

# Elapsed Time Axis Labels

## Class ElapsedTimeAxisLabels

```
 GraphObj
       |
       +-- ChartText
              |
              +-- AxisLabels
                     |
                     +-- ElapsedTimeAxisLabels
```
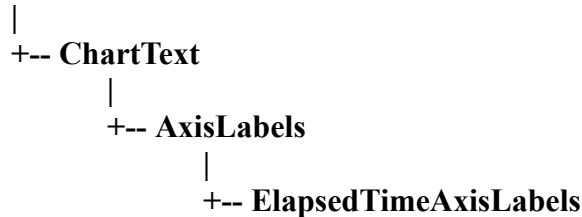
The **ElapsedTimeAxisLabels** class extends the **AxisLabels** class and provides for elapsed time labels. It adds extensive time formatting capability. Use it to label axes created using the **ElapsedTimeAxis** class.

### Elapsed Time Label formats

A time axis label can take several forms. The TimeFormat property controls the elapsed time format.

| TimeFormat Format Constant | Example String Result |
| --- | --- |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MS | 12:33 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMS | 23:12:33 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HM | 23:12 |

The TIMEDATEFORMAT_MS and TIMEDATEFORMAT formats can also have a decimal precision, appending a decimal point and the specified number of significant digits to the right of the time lable seconds, i.e. 12:33.7432. This is set using the **AxisLabelsDecimalPos** property.

### ElapsedTimeAxis Labels constructor

There is only one main constructor for **TimeAxisLabels** objects.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal baseaxis As ElapsedTimeAxis _
)
```

```
[C#]
public ElapsedTimeAxisLabels(
   ElapsedTimeAxis baseaxis
);
```

*baseaxis*        This is the elapsed time axis the axis labels are for.

Other axis label properties: font, rotation, time format, axis labels direction and numeric precision are automatically set. These properties can be explicitly set if you need to override the automatically calculated values.

## SetAxisLabels method

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetAxisLabels( _
   ByVal font As Font, _
   ByVal rotation As Double, _
   ByVal labdir As Integer, _
   ByVal decimalpos As Integer, _
   ByVal timeformat As Integer, _
   ByVal labelends As Integer, _
   ByVal labcolor As Color _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisLabels(
   Font font,
   double rotation,
   int labdir,
   int decimalpos,
   int timeformat,
   int labelends,
   Color labcolor
);
```

## SetAxisLabelsFormat method

```
[Visual Basic]
Public Sub SetAxisLabelsFormat( _
   ByVal format As Integer _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisLabelsFormat(
   int format
);
```

*font*            The font object used to display the axis label text.

*rotation*        The rotation, in degrees, of label text in the normal viewing plane.

*labdir*          The justification of the axis label (AXIS_MIN or AXIS_MAX) with respect to the tick mark endpoint.

*decimal*         Sets the number of digits to the right of the decimal point for elapsed time axis labels.

| *labelends* | Ignored for time axis labels |
| --- | --- |
| *labcolor* | The color of the label text. |
| *timeformat* | Sets the numeric format for the axis labels. Use one of the time format constants:<br><br>TIMEDATEFORMAT_MS, TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMS, TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HM. |

## Simple ElapsedTimeAxisLabels example (extracted from the NewDemosRev2.ElapsedTimeChart example program)

[C#]

```csharp
TimeSpan[] x1 = new TimeSpan[numPoints];
double []y1 = new double[numPoints];
double []y2 = new double[numPoints];
int i;

for (i=0; i < numPoints; i++)
{
  // Initialize Data
  .
  .
  .
}

theFont = new Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 10,  FontStyle.Bold);
ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset Dataset1 = new ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset("First", x1, y1);
ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset Dataset2 =
    new ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset("Second", x1, y2);


ElapsedTimeCoordinates pTransform1 =
    new ElapsedTimeCoordinates(ChartObj.ELAPSEDTIME_SCALE, ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE);
pTransform1.ElapsedTimeAutoScale(Dataset2, ChartObj.X_AXIS,
    ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, .15, .90, 0.70) ;
.
.
.
ElapsedTimeAxis xAxis = new ElapsedTimeAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.X_AXIS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);

LinearAxis yAxis = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis);

ElapsedTimeAxisLabels xAxisLab = new ElapsedTimeAxisLabels(xAxis);
xAxisLab.SetTextFont(theFont);
xAxisLab.AxisLabelsDayFormat = ChartObj.ELAPSEDTIMEFORMAT_NEXTTODAYSTRING;
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab);

NumericAxisLabels yAxisLab = new NumericAxisLabels(yAxis);
yAxisLab.SetTextFont(theFont);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim x1 As TimeSpan() = New TimeSpan(numPoints - 1) {}
Dim y1 As Double() = New Double(numPoints - 1) {}
Dim y2 As Double() = New Double(numPoints - 1) {}
Dim i As Integer

For i = 0 To numPoints - 1
            .
.
.
Next

theFont = New Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 10, FontStyle.Bold)
Dim Dataset1 As New ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset("First", x1, y1)
Dim Dataset2 As New ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset("Second", x1, y2)

Dim pTransform1 As New ElapsedTimeCoordinates(ChartObj.ELAPSEDTIME_SCALE, _
    ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform1.ElapsedTimeAutoScale(Dataset2, ChartObj.X_AXIS, _
    ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, 0.15, 0.9, 0.7R)
.
.
.
Dim xAxis As New ElapsedTimeAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.X_AXIS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)

Dim yAxis As New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis)
Dim xAxisLab As New ElapsedTimeAxisLabels(xAxis)
xAxisLab.SetTextFont(theFont)
xAxisLab.AxisLabelsDayFormat = ChartObj.ELAPSEDTIMEFORMAT_NEXTTODAYSTRING
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab)

Dim yAxisLab As New NumericAxisLabels(yAxis)
yAxisLab.SetTextFont(theFont)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab)
```

# Event Axis Labels

## Class EventAxisLabels

 **GraphObj**
         |
        **+-- ChartText**
                |
               **+-- AxisLabels**
                       |
                      **+-- EventAxisLabels**
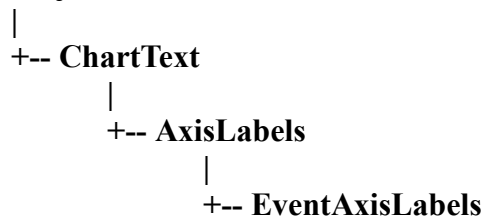
The **EventAxisLabels** class extends the **AxisLabels** class, adding extensive time and date formatting capability. Use it to label axes created using the **EventAxis** class.

### Label formats

A time axis label can take many forms. Variations on these forms include:

- Time formats (hh:mm:ss, hh:mm, mm:ss, etc.)

- Date formats (mm/dd/yy, dd/mm/yy, mm/yy, etc.)

There are more ways to format time and date information than numeric data. The **QCChart2D for *.Net*** software directly supports twelve time formats and twenty-two date formats. It is also possible to create custom date/time formats. The software makes use of the **System.DateTime.ToString** `method` to format times and dates. A table listing predefined date/time formats appears below.

| Date/Time Format Constant | Format String | Example String Result |
| --- | --- | --- |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MSDDD | "mm:ss.fff" | 12.33.999 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MSDD | "mm:ss.ff" | 12.33.99 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MSD | "mm:ss.f" | 12.33.9 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MS | "m:ss" | 12:33 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_12HMSDD | "h:mm.ss.ff" | 11:12:33.99 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_12HMSD | "h:mm.ss.f" | 11:12:33.9 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_12HMS | "h:mm:ss" | 11:12:33 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_12HM | "h:mm" | 11:12 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMDDD | "H:mm:ss.ff" | 23:12:33.99 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMDD | "H:mm:ss.f" | 23:12:33.9 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMS | "H:mm:ss" | 23:12:33 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HM | "H:mm" | 23:12 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_STANDARD | "MMMMM dd, yyyy" | December 7, 2000 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY | "M/dd/yy" | 12/07/00 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_DMY | "d/MM/yy" | 7/12/00 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MY | "M/yy" | 7/00 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_Q | None | Q1 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MMMM | "MMMM" | January |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MMM | "MMM" | Jan |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_M | "MMM" | J |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_DDDD | "dddd" | Tuesday |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_DDD | "ddd" | Tue |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_D | "ddd" | T |
| | | |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_Y | "yy" | 00 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY2000 | "M/dd/yyyy" | 12/07/2000 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_DMY2000 | "d/MM/yyyy" | 7/12/2000 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MY2000 | "M/yyyy" | 7/2000 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_Y2000 | "yyyy" | 2000 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY_HMS | "H:mm:ss\nM/dd/yy" | 12:23:33 12/07/00 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_DMY_HMS | "H:mm:ss\nd/M/yy" | 23:12:33 12/07/00 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY_HM | "H:mm\nM/dd/yy" | 12:23:33 12/07/00 |
| TIMEDATEFORMAT_DMY_HM | "H:mm\nd/M/yy" | 23:12:33 12/07/00 |

In some cases, the TIMEDATEFORMAT_Q format for example, the **DateTime.ToString** class does not handle the desired conversion. In cases like this the date/time Format constant is trapped and undergoes additional processing to create the final label. That is why some of the date format strings are the same, event though the resulting labels are different.

**EventAxis Labels constructor**
There is only one main constructor for Event**AxisLabels** objects.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal baseaxis As EventAxis _
)
[C#]
public TimeAxisLabels(
   EventAxis baseaxis
);
```

*baseaxis*        This is the event axis the axis labels are for.

Other axis label properties: font, rotation, numeric format, axis labels direction and numeric precision are automatically set. These properties can be explicitly set if you need to override the automatically calculated values.

## SetAxisLabels method

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetAxisLabels( _
   ByVal font As Font, _
   ByVal rotation As Double, _
   ByVal labdir As Integer, _
   ByVal decimalpos As Integer, _
   ByVal labelends As Integer, _
   ByVal labcolor As Color _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisLabels(
   Font font,
   double rotation,
   int labdir,
   int decimalpos,
   int labelends,
   Color labcolor
);
```

## SetAxisLabelsFormat method

```
[Visual Basic]
Public Sub SetAxisLabelsFormat( _
   ByVal format As Integer _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisLabelsFormat(
   int format
);
```

*font*        The font object used to display the axis label text.

*rotation*        The rotation, in degrees, of label text in the normal viewing plane.

*labdir*        The justification of the axis label (AXIS_MIN or AXIS_MAX) with respect to the tick mark endpoint.

*decimal*          Sets the number of digits to the right of the decimal point for numeric axis labels.

*labelends*        Ignored for time axis labels

*labcolor*         The color of the label text.

*format*           Sets the numeric format for the axis labels. Use one of the time format constants:

TIMEDATEFORMAT_MSDDD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MSDD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MSD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MS, TIMEDATEFORMAT_12HMSDD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_12HMSD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_12HMS, TIMEDATEFORMAT_12HM, TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMSDD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMSD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMS, TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HM, TIMEDATEFORMAT_STANDARD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY,TIMEDATEFORMAT_DMY, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MY, TIMEDATEFORMAT_Q, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MMMM,  TIMEDATEFORMAT_MMM, TIMEDATEFORMAT_M, TIMEDATEFORMAT_DDDD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_DDD, TIMEDATEFORMAT_D, TIMEDATEFORMAT_Y, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY2000, TIMEDATEFORMAT_DMY2000, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MY2000, TIMEDATEFORMAT_Y2000, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY_HMS, TIMEDATEFORMAT_DMY_HMS,TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY_HM ,TIMEDATEFORMAT_DMY_HMS  .

## Simple time axis labels example

[C#]

```
theFont = new Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 10, FontStyle.Bold);

EventSimpleDataset Dataset1 = new EventSimpleDataset("Actual Sales", chartevents);
EventCoordinates pTransform1 = new EventCoordinates(Dataset1);
pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(0);

EventAxis xAxis = new EventAxis(pTransform1, EventAxis.TICK_RULE.MAJOREVENT,
ChartObj.X_AXIS);
xAxis.SetColor(Color.White);
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);

LinearAxis yAxis = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
yAxis.SetColor(Color.White);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis);

EventAxisLabels xAxisLab = new EventAxisLabels(xAxis);
xAxisLab.SetAxisLabelsFormat(ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_Y2000);
xAxisLab.SetColor(Color.White);
```

```
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim Dataset1 As New EventSimpleDataset("Actual Sales", chartevents)
Dim pTransform1 As New EventCoordinates(Dataset1)
pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(0)

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, 0.15, 0.9, 0.8)
Dim background As New Background(pTransform1, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND,
Color.FromArgb(30, 70, 70), Color.FromArgb(90, 20, 155), ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(background)

Dim xAxis As New EventAxis(pTransform1, EventAxis.TICK_RULE.MAJOREVENT,
ChartObj.X_AXIS)
xAxis.SetColor(Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)

Dim yAxis As New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
yAxis.SetColor(Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis)

Dim xAxisLab As New EventAxisLabels(xAxis)
xAxisLab.SetAxisLabelsFormat(ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_Y2000)
xAxisLab.SetColor(Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab)
```

## Custom time axis labels example

[C#]

```
Font labelfont = new Font("Helvetica", 10, FontStyle.BOLD);

double xAxisLabelsRotation = 0.0;
int xAxisLabelsDir = ChartObj.AXIS_MIN;
int xAxisLabelsEnds = ChartObj.LABEL_ALL;
Color xAxisLabelsColor = Color.Black;
int xAxisNumericFormat = ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_MY;

xAxisLabels.SetAxisLabels( labelfont, xAxisLabelsRotation,
                           xAxisLabelsDir,
                           xAxisLabelsEnds, xAxisLabelsColor);
xAxisLabels.SetAxisLabelsFormat(xAxisNumericFormat);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim labelfont As Font = New Font("Helvetica", 10, FontStyle.Bold)
Dim xAxisLabelsRotation As Double = 0.0
Dim xAxisLabelsDir As Integer = ChartObj.AXIS_MIN
Dim xAxisLabelsEnds As Integer = ChartObj.LABEL_ALL
Dim xAxisLabelsColor As Color = Color.Black
Dim xAxisNumericFormat As Integer = ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_MY

xAxisLabels.SetAxisLabels(labelfont, xAxisLabelsRotation, _
              xAxisLabelsDir, xAxisLabelsEnds, xAxisLabelsColor)
xAxisLabels.SetAxisLabelsFormat(xAxisNumericFormat)
```

# Polar Axes Labels

## Class PolarAxesLabels

**GraphObj**
```
      |
      +-- ChartText
              |
              +-- AxisLabels
                      |
                      +-- NumericAxisLabels
                              |
                              +-- PolarAxesLabels
```
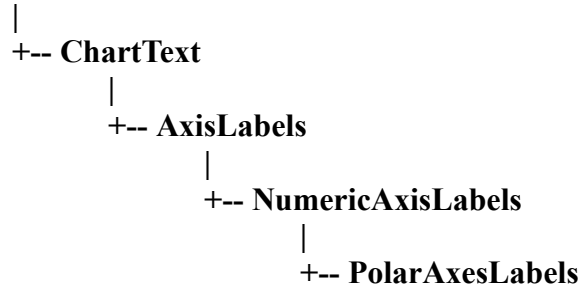
The **PolarAxesLabels** class extends the **NumericAxisLabels** class and creates labels for objects of the **PolarAxes** class. The **PolarAxesLabels** class labels the two parts of the polar axes: the x- and y-axes pair defining the polar magnitude, and the polar angle circle, bounding the x- and y-axes. The class extends the **NumericAxisLabels** class and uses that class's methods and properties for managing the label properties.

The x- and y-axes have extents of +-R. The only labels needed for these axes are for the positive section of the x-axis. The easiest way to manage this is to create a local x-axis that extends from 0 to +R. This local axis is not drawn, but is used to create a **NumericAxisLabels** object for the class. This object draws the labels for the positive section of the x-axis.

### PolarAxisLabels constructor

There is only one main constructor for **PolarAxesLabels** objects.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal baseaxis As PolarAxes _
)
[C#]
public PolarAxesLabels(
   PolarAxes baseaxis
);
```

*baseaxis*        This is the axis the axis labels are for.

Other axis label properties: font, rotation, numeric format, axis labels direction and numeric precision are automatically set. These properties can be explicitly set if you need to override the automatically calculated values.

### SetAxisLabels method

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetAxisLabels( _
```

```
    ByVal font As Font, _
    ByVal labcolor As Color _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisLabels(
    Font font,
    Color labcolor
);
```

## SetAxisLabelsFormat method

```
[Visual Basic]
Public Sub SetAxisLabelsFormat( _
    ByVal format As Integer _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisLabelsFormat(
    int format
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *font* | The font object used to display the axis label text. |
| *labcolor* | The color of the label text. |
| *format* | Sets the numeric format for the axis labels. Use one of the numeric format constants: DECIMALFORMAT, SCIENTIFICFORMAT, EXPONENTFORMAT, BUSINESSFORMAT, ENGINEERINGFORMAT, PERCENTFORMAT, CURRENCEYFORMAT, CURRENCYBUSINESSFORMAT. |

## Polar axes labels example

[C#]

```
double polarmagnitude = 5.0;
PolarCoordinates polarscale = new PolarCoordinates(polarmagnitude);
PolarAxes polarAxes = new PolarAxes(polarscale);

PolarAxesLabels polarAxesLabels = new PolarAxesLabels(polarAxes);
polarAxesLabels.SetAxisLabelsFormat(ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT);
polarAxesLabels.SetAxisLabelsDecimalPos(2);

// Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
ChartView chartVu  = new ChartView();
// Add the polar axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(polarAxes);
chartVu.AddChartObject(polarAxesLabels);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim polarmagnitude As Double = 5.0
Dim polarscale As PolarCoordinates = New PolarCoordinates(polarmagnitude)
Dim polarAxes As PolarAxes = New PolarAxes(polarscale)
```

```
Dim polarAxesLabels As PolarAxesLabels = New PolarAxesLabels(polarAxes)
polarAxesLabels.SetAxisLabelsFormat(ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT)
polarAxesLabels.SetAxisLabelsDecimalPos(2)

' Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()
' Add the polar axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(polarAxes)
chartVu.AddChartObject(polarAxesLabels)
```

# Antenna Axes Labels

## Class AntennaAxesLabels
**GraphObj**
```
        |
    +-- ChartText
            |
            +-- AxisLabels
                    |
                    +-- NumericAxisLabels
                            |
                            +-- AntennaAxesLabels
```
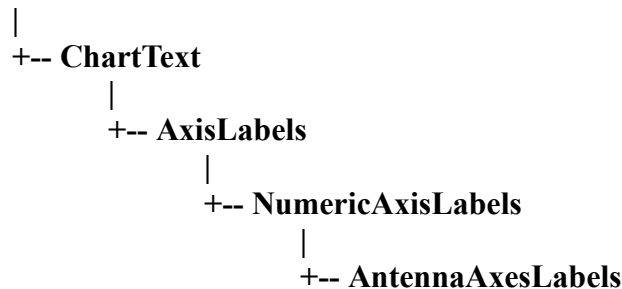
The **AntennaAxesLabels** class extends the **NumericAxisLabels** class and creates labels for objects of the **AntennaAxes** class. The **AntennaAxesLabels** class labels the two parts of the antenna axes: the y-axis displaying the radius limits, and the angular circle bounding the y-axis. The class extends the **NumericAxisLabels** class and uses that class's methods and properties for managing the label properties.

### AntennaAxisLabels constructor

There is only one main constructor for **AntennaAxesLabels** objects.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal baseaxis As AntennaAxes _
)
[C#]
public AntennaAxesLabels(
   AntennaAxes baseaxis
);
```

*baseaxis*        This is the axis the axis labels are for.

Other axis label properties: font, rotation, numeric format, axis labels direction and numeric precision are automatically set. These properties can be explicitly set if you need to override the automatically calculated values.

## SetAxisLabels method

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub SetAxisLabels( _
   ByVal font As Font, _
   ByVal labcolor As Color _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisLabels(
   Font font,
   Color labcolor
);
```

## SetAxisLabelsFormat method

```
[Visual Basic]
Public Sub SetAxisLabelsFormat( _
   ByVal format As Integer _
)
[C#]
public void SetAxisLabelsFormat(
   int format
);
```

*font*                The font object used to display the axis label text.

*labcolor*            The color of the label text.

*format*              Sets the numeric format for the axis labels. Use one of the numeric format constants: DECIMALFORMAT, SCIENTIFICFORMAT, EXPONENTFORMAT, BUSINESSFORMAT, ENGINEERINGFORMAT, PERCENTFORMAT, CURRENCYFORMAT, CURRENCYBUSINESSFORMAT.

## Antenna axes labels example

[C#]

```
double minvalue  = -40, maxvalue = 20;
AntennaCoordinates antennascale = new AntennaCoordinates(minvalue, maxvalue);
AntennaAxes antennaAxes = new AntennaAxes(antennascale);

chartVu.AddChartObject(antennaAxes);

AntennaAxesLabels antennaAxesLabels = new AntennaAxesLabels (antennaAxes);
antennaAxesLabels.SetAxisLabelsFormat(ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT);
antennaAxesLabels.SetAxisLabelsDecimalPos(2);

chartVu.AddChartObject(antennaAxesLabels);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim minvalue As Double = -40
Dim maxvalue As Double = 20
Dim antennascale As AntennaCoordinates = _
     New AntennaCoordinates(minvalue, maxvalue)
Dim antennaAxes As AntennaAxes = New AntennaAxes(antennascale)

chartVu.AddChartObject(antennaAxes)

 Dim antennaAxesLabels As AntennaAxesLabels = New AntennaAxesLabels (antennaAxes)
 antennaAxesLabels.SetAxisLabelsFormat(ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT)
 antennaAxesLabels.SetAxisLabelsDecimalPos(2)

chartVu.AddChartObject(antennaAxesLabels)
```

# 9. Axis Grids

**Grid**
        **PolarAxesGrid**
        **AntennaGrid**

Axis grids are solid, dotted or dashed lines, aligned with the axis tick marks and which extend across the plot area of a graph. Axis grids are a separate class from the axis classes. An axis class, i.e. any class derived from **Axis**, can exist independent of a grid. Many graphs use axes that do not have grids. For example, the y-axis may have a grid, while the x-axis may not. The axis grid classes are not independent and they require valid references to both an x- and y-axis. The three axis grid classes are **Grid, PolarGrid** and **AntennaGrid.**

## Linear, Logarithmic and Time Axis Grids

### Class Grid
### GraphObj
      |
      **+-- Grid**

The **Grid** class defines a grid for **LinearAxis**, **LogAxis**, and **TimeAxis** classes. A grid object needs a reference to both an x- and y-axis. The grid aligns with the tick marks of one axis, and extends across the plot area using the minimum and maximum values of the other axis. For example, an x-axis grid has lines aligned with the tick marks of the x-axis and extending from the minimum y-value to the maximum y-value of the y-axis, parallel to the y-axis.

### Grid constuctor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal xaxis As Axis, _
   ByVal yaxis As Axis, _
   ByVal gridaxistype As Integer, _
   ByVal gridtype As Integer _
)
[C#]
public Grid(
   Axis xaxis,
   Axis yaxis,
   int gridaxistype,
```

```
   int gridtype
);
```

*xaxis*                    The x-axis associated with the grid.

*yaxis*                    The y-axis associated with the grid.

*gridaxistype*             The grid is aligned with the tick marks of this axis. The grid is
                           parallel to the other axis. Use one of the axis constants, X_AXIS or
                           Y_AXIS.

*gridtype*                 Specifies if the grid aligns with the major tick marks
                           (GRID_MAJOR), the minor tick marks (GRID_MINOR) or the
                           major and minor tick marks (GRID_ALL) of the reference axis.

Other grid properties are associated with the line properties used to draw the grid. The
default values of the grid use a black dotted line of thickness 1.0. Change the default
values using the **GraphObj** methods below.

### SetColor method

```
[Visual Basic]
Overridable Public Sub SetColor( _
   ByVal rgbcolor As Color _
)
[C#]
public virtual void SetColor(
   Color rgbcolor
);
```

### SetLineWidth method

```
[Visual Basic]
Overridable Public Sub SetLineWidth( _
   ByVal linewidth As Double _
)
[C#]
public virtual void SetLineWidth(
   double linewidth
);
```

### SetLineStyle method

```
[Visual Basic]
Overridable Public Sub SetLineStyle( _
   ByVal linestyle As DashStyle _
)
[C#]
public virtual void SetLineStyle(
   DashStyle linestyle
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *rgbcolor* | Sets the primary line color for the chart object. |
| *linewidth* | Sets the line width, in device coordinates, for the chart object. |
| *linestyle* | Sets the line style for the chart object. Use one of the .Net Drawing2D.DashStyle enumerated constants: Dash, DashDot, DashDotDot, Dot or Solid. |

## Grid example

[C#]

```
// Define the coordinate system
double xMin = -5;
double xMax = 15;
double yMin = 0;
double yMax =  105;
CartesianCoordinates simpleScale =
        new CartesianCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);

// Create the x- and y-axes
LinearAxis xAxis =
new LinearAxis(simpleScale, ChartObj.X_AXIS);
LinearAxis yAxis =
new LinearAxis(simpleScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
// Create the grids
Grid gridX =  new Grid(xAxis, yAxis, ChartObj.X_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR);
//Change default grid line properties
gridX.SetLineWidth(2.0);
gridX.SetLineStyle(DashStyle.Dot);
gridX.SetColor(Color.Gray);

Grid gridY =  new Grid(xAxis, yAxis, ChartObj.Y_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR);
//Change default grid line properties
gridY.SetLineWidth(1.0);
gridY.SetLineStyle(DashStyle.Solid);
gridY.SetColor(Color.Black);

// Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
ChartView chartVu  = new ChartView();

// Add the x- and y-axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis);
chartVu.AddChartObject(gridX);
chartVu.AddChartObject(gridY);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
' Define the coordinate system
Dim xMin As Double = -5
Dim xMax As Double = 15
Dim yMin As Double = 0
Dim yMax As Double = 105
Dim simpleScale As CartesianCoordinates = _
          New CartesianCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)

' Create the x- and y-axes
Dim xAxis As LinearAxis = _
       New LinearAxis(simpleScale, ChartObj.X_AXIS)
```

```
Dim yAxis As LinearAxis = _
        New LinearAxis(simpleScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
' Create the grids
Dim gridX As Grid = New Grid(xAxis, yAxis, ChartObj.X_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR)
' Change default grid line properties
gridX.SetLineWidth(2.0)
gridX.SetLineStyle(DashStyle.Dot)
gridX.SetColor(Color.Gray)

Dim gridY As Grid = New Grid(xAxis, yAxis, ChartObj.Y_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR)
' Change default grid line properties
gridY.SetLineWidth(1.0)
gridY.SetLineStyle(DashStyle.Solid)
gridY.SetColor(Color.Black)

' Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()

' Add the x- and y-axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis)
chartVu.AddChartObject(gridX)
chartVu.AddChartObject(gridY)
```

# Polar Grids

## Class PolarGrid

**GraphObj**
    |
    **+-- Grid**
          |
          **+-- PolarGrid**
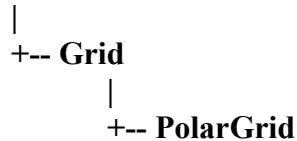
The **PolarGrid** class defines a grid for polar axes. The polar grid consists of two parts: the magnitude grid and the polar angle grid. The magnitude grid consists of a group of concentric circles centered on the origin and aligned with the x- and y-axis tick marks. The polar angle grid consists of a group of radial lines, aligned with the angle tick marks and starting at the origin extending to the outer polar angle circle.

### PolarGrid constructors
There are two **PolarGrid** constructors.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal polaraxis As PolarAxes, _
   ByVal gridtype As Integer _
)
```

```
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal polaraxis As PolarAxes, _
   ByVal gridmagtype As Integer, _
   ByVal gridangletype As Integer _
)

[C#]
public PolarGrid(
   PolarAxes polaraxis,
   int gridtype
);

public PolarGrid(
   PolarAxes polaraxis,
   int gridmagtype,
   int gridangletype
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *polaraxis* | The polar axes associated with the grid. |
| *gridtype* | Specifies if the magnitude and angular grid aligns with the major tick marks (GRID_MAJOR), the minor tick marks (GRID_MINOR) or the major and minor tick marks (GRID_ALL) of the reference polar axis. |
| *gridmagtype* | Specifies if the magnitude grid aligns with the major tick marks (GRID_MAJOR), the minor tick marks (GRID_MINOR) or the major and minor tick marks (GRID_ALL) of the reference polar axis. |
| *gridangletype* | Specifies if the angular grid aligns with the major tick marks (GRID_MAJOR), the minor tick marks (GRID_MINOR) or the major and minor tick marks (GRID_ALL) of the reference polar axis. |

The **SetLineWidth**, **SetLineStyle** and **SetColor** methods are used to customize the drawing properties of the lines used to draw the axes lines and tick marks.

**Polar grid example**

[C#]

```
double polarmagnitude = 5.0;
PolarCoordinates polarscale = new PolarCoordinates(polarmagnitude);
PolarAxes polarAxes = new PolarAxes(polarscale);
PolarGrid polarGrid =  new PolarGrid(polarAxes, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR);
// Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
ChartView chartVu  = new ChartView();
// Add the polar axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(polarAxes);
chartVu.AddChartObject(polarGrid);
```

[Visual Basic]

```vbnet
Dim polarmagnitude As Double = 5.0
Dim polarscale As PolarCoordinates = New PolarCoordinates(polarmagnitude)
Dim polarAxes As PolarAxes = New PolarAxes(polarscale)
Dim polarGrid As PolarGrid = New PolarGrid(polarAxes, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR)
' Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()
' Add the polar axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(polarAxes)
chartVu.AddChartObject(polarGrid)
```

# Antenna Grids

## Class AntennaGrid

**GraphObj**
```
        |
    +-- Grid
            |
            +-- AntennaGrid
```
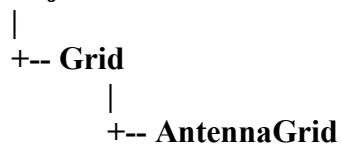
The **AntennaGrid** class defines a grid for antenna axes. The antenna grid consists of two parts: the circular grid and the radial grid. The circular grid consists of a group of concentric circles centered on the origin and aligned with the y-axis tick marks. The antenna radial grid consists of a group of radial lines, aligned with the angle tick marks and starting at the origin extending to the outer edge of the antenna coordinate system.

### AntennaGrid constructors

There are two **AntennaGrid** constructors.

```vbnet
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal baseaxis As AntennaAxes, _
   ByVal gridtype As Integer _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal baseaxis As AntennaAxes, _
   ByVal gridmagtype As Integer, _
   ByVal gridangletype As Integer _
)

[C#]
public AntennaGrid(
```

```
   AntennaAxes baseaxis,
   int gridtype
);

public AntennaGrid (
   AntennaAxes baseaxis,
   int gridmagtype,
   int gridangletype
);
```

*baseaxis*            The antenna axes associated with the grid.

*gridtype*            Specifies if the radial and angular grid aligns with the major tick marks (GRID_MAJOR), the minor tick marks (GRID_MINOR) or the major and minor tick marks (GRID_ALL) of the reference antenna axis.

*gridmagtype*         Specifies if the radial grid aligns with the major tick marks (GRID_MAJOR), the minor tick marks (GRID_MINOR) or the major and minor tick marks (GRID_ALL) of the reference antenna axis.

*gridangletype*       Specifies if the angular grid aligns with the major tick marks (GRID_MAJOR), the minor tick marks (GRID_MINOR) or the major and minor tick marks (GRID_ALL) of the reference antenna axis.

The **SetLineWidth**, **SetLineStyle** and **SetColor** methods are used to customize the drawing properties of the lines used to draw the axes lines and tick marks.

## Antenna grid example

[C#]

```
AntennaAxes pAntennaAxis = pAntennaTransform.GetCompatibleAxes();
pAntennaAxis.LineColor = Color.Black;
chartVu.AddChartObject(pAntennaAxis);

AntennaGrid pAntennaGrid = new AntennaGrid(pAntennaAxis, AntennaGrid.GRID_ALL);
pAntennaGrid.ChartObjAttributes = new ChartAttribute(Color.LightBlue, 1,
DashStyle.Solid);
chartVu.AddChartObject(pAntennaGrid);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim pAntennaAxis As AntennaAxes = pAntennaTransform.GetCompatibleAxes()
pAntennaAxis.LineColor = Color.Black
```

```
chartVu.AddChartObject(pAntennaAxis)

Dim pAntennaGrid As New AntennaGrid(pAntennaAxis, AntennaGrid.GRID_ALL)
pAntennaGrid.ChartObjAttributes = New ChartAttribute(Color.LightBlue, 1,
DashStyle.Solid)
chartVu.AddChartObject(pAntennaGrid)
```

# 10. Simple Plot Objects

**SimplePlot**
        **SimpleBarPlot**
        **SimpleLineMarkerPlot**
        **SimpleLinePlot**
        **SimpleScatterPlot**
        **SimpleVersaPlot**

The **SimplePlot** class is an abstract class representing plot types that use data organized as a simple array of xy points, where there is one y for every x. Simple plot types include: line plots, scatter plots, bar graphs, and line-marker plots. When used in the simplest mode, simple plot objects use a single **ChartAttribute** object to control the plot objects color, line, and gradient styles. In terms of memory usage, this is the most efficient method. If memory is not an issue, it is also possible to assign every line segment, bar and scatter plot symbol a unique **ChartAttribute** object. Used in this mode, a single line plot can have unlimited number of multi-colored line segments. Another option labels each data point with its numeric y-value.

Example program segments presented in this documentation are not complete programs and contain uninitialized and/or undefined objects and variables. Do not attempt to copy them into your own program. Refer to the referenced examples.

## Simple Line Plots

## Class SimpleLinePlot
**GraphObj**
     |
    **+--ChartPlot**
         |
        **+--SimplePlot**
            |
           **+--SimpleLinePlot**
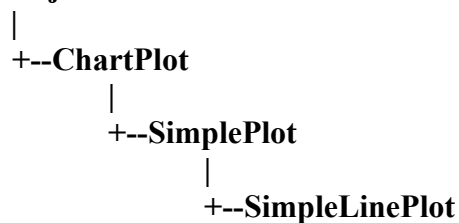
The **SimpleLinePlot** class is a concrete implementation of the **SimplePlot** class and and displays simple datasets in line plot format. Data points are connected using a straight line, or a step line.

**SimpleLinePlot constructor**

```
 [Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As SimpleDataset, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)
[C#]
public SimpleLinePlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   SimpleDataset dataset,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **SimpleLinePlot** object. |
| *dataset* | The line plot represents the values in this dataset. |
| *attrib* | Specifies the attributes (line color, thickness and style, fill color and fill mode) for the line plot. |

A **ChartAttribute** object sets the objects global line color, line thickness, line style, fill color and fill mode. Change the **ChartAttribute** object using the objects **SetChartObjAttributes** method. There is also a group of methods that set individual simple plot properties: **SetColor**, **SetLineWidth**, and **SetLineStyle**. The line step style is using the **SetStepMode** method.

Individual line segments in a simple line plot object can have unique properties. Use the objects **SetSegmentAttributesMode** and **SetSegmentAttributes** methods.

**Simple line plot example (extracted from the example program SimpleLinePlots, class LineFill)**

[C#]

```
TimeCoordinates  pTransform1 = new TimeCoordinates();
pTransform1.AutoScale(DatasetArray,
                 ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
.
.
.

ChartAttribute attrib1 =
         new ChartAttribute (Color.Blue, 3,ChartObj.DashStyle.Solid.);
SimpleLinePlot thePlot1 =
         new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, attrib1);
thePlot1.SetLineStyle(DashDot);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim pTransform1 As TimeCoordinates = New TimeCoordinates()
pTransform1.AutoScale(DatasetArray, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
```

```
.
.
.
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 3, DashStyle.Solid)
Dim thePlot1 As SimpleLinePlot = _
        New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, attrib1)
thePlot1.SetLineStyle(DashStyle.DashDot)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

## Simple line plot example using segment colors (extracted from the example program SimpleLinePlots, class LineFill)

[C#]

```
TimeSimpleDataset[] DatasetArray = {Dataset1, Dataset2, Dataset3 };
pTransform1 = new TimeCoordinates();
pTransform1.AutoScale(DatasetArray,ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR ,ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, .1, .92, 0.75) ;
Background background = new Background( pTransform1,
            ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND, Color.FromArgb(100,50,255),
            Color.FromArgb(40,25,120), ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(background);
Background plotbackground =
        new Background( pTransform1, ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, Color.Black);
chartVu.AddChartObject(plotbackground);
.
.  // Define and add axes, axes labels and grids to the chart
.
ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Blue, 3,DashStyle.Solid);
Dataset1.SortByX(true);
thePlot1 = new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, attrib1);
thePlot1.SetLineStyle(DashStyle.DashDot);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);

ChartAttribute attrib2 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Yellow, 3,DashStyle.Solid);
Dataset2.SortByX(true);
thePlot2 = new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset2, attrib2);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot2);

Color transparentRed =  Color.FromArgb(200, 255, 0, 0);
Color transparentGreen = Color.FromArgb(200, 0, 255, 0);
ChartAttribute lossAttrib = new ChartAttribute (transparentRed, 1,DashStyle.Solid,
                transparentRed);
ChartAttribute profitAttrib =
  new ChartAttribute (transparentGreen, 1,DashStyle.Solid, transparentGreen);
profitAttrib.SetFillFlag(true);
lossAttrib.SetFillFlag(true);
profitAttrib.SetLineFlag(false);
lossAttrib.SetLineFlag(false);
// Must call the linePlot (or similar function) before setting segment
// attributes so that it know size of segment buffer to allocate.
thePlot3 = new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset3, profitAttrib);
double []yValues = Dataset3.GetYData();
thePlot3.SetSegmentAttributesMode(true);
for (i=0; i < Dataset3.GetNumberDatapoints(); i++)
{
    if (yValues[i] > 0.0)
        thePlot3.SetSegmentAttributes(i,profitAttrib);
    else
        thePlot3.SetSegmentAttributes(i,lossAttrib);
}
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot3);
```

[Visual Basic]

```vbnet
Dim DatasetArray As TimeSimpleDataset() = {Dataset1, Dataset2, Dataset3}

Dim pTransform1 As TimeCoordinates = New TimeCoordinates()
pTransform1.AutoScale(DatasetArray, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, 0.1, 0.92, 0.75)
            Dim background As New Background(pTransform1, _
            ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND, _ Color.FromArgb(100, 50, 255), _
            Color.FromArgb(40, 25, 120), ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(background)

Dim plotbackground As New Background(pTransform1, _
            ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, Color.Black)
chartVu.AddChartObject(plotbackground)


.
.  ' Define and add axes, axes labels and grids to the chart
.


Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 3, DashStyle.Solid)
Dataset1.SortByX(True)
Dim thePlot1 As SimpleLinePlot = _
        New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, attrib1)
thePlot1.SetLineStyle(DashStyle.DashDot)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)

Dim attrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Yellow, 3, DashStyle.Solid)
Dataset2.SortByX(True)
Dim thePlot2 As SimpleLinePlot = New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, _
                    Dataset2, attrib2)
thePlot2.SetLineStyle(DashStyle.Dash)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot2)

Dim transparentRed As Color = Color.FromArgb(200, 255, 0, 0)
Dim transparentGreen As Color = Color.FromArgb(200, 0, 255, 0)

Dim lossAttrib As New ChartAttribute(transparentRed, 1, _
         DashStyle.Solid, transparentRed)
Dim profitAttrib As New ChartAttribute(transparentGreen, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, transparentGreen)
profitAttrib.SetFillFlag(True)
lossAttrib.SetFillFlag(True)
profitAttrib.SetLineFlag(False)
lossAttrib.SetLineFlag(False)
' Must call the linePlot (or similar function) before setting segment
' attributes so that it know size of segment buffer to allocate.
Dim thePlot3 As SimpleLinePlot = New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, _
        Dataset3, profitAttrib)
Dim yValues As Double() = Dataset3.GetYData()
thePlot3.SetSegmentAttributesMode(True)
For i = 0 To (Dataset3.GetNumberDatapoints()) - 1
  If yValues(i) > 0.0 Then
     thePlot3.SetSegmentAttributes(i, profitAttrib)
  Else
     thePlot3.SetSegmentAttributes(i, lossAttrib)
  End If
Next i
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot3)
```

# Simple Bar Plots

## Class SimpleBarPlot
## GraphObj

```
         |
      +--ChartPlot
            |
         +--SimplePlot
               |
            +--SimpleBarPlot
```
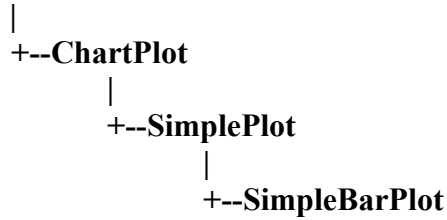
The **SimpleBarPlot** class is a concrete implementation of the **SimplePlot** class and displays data in a bar format. Individual bars, the maximum value of which corresponds to the y-values of the dataset, display justified with respect to the x-values.

**SimpleBarPlot constructor**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As SimpleDataset, _
   ByVal barwidth As Double, _
   ByVal barbase As Double, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute, _
   ByVal barjust As Integer _
)
[C#]
public SimpleBarPlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   SimpleDataset dataset,
   double barwidth,
   double barbase,
   ChartAttribute attrib,
   int barjust
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **SimpleBarPlot** object. |
| *dataset* | The bar plot represents the values in this dataset. |
| *barwidth* | The width of the bars in physical coordinates. |
| *barbase* | The base value for bars in physical coordinates. |
| *attrib* | Specifies the attributes (line color and fill color) of the bars. |
| *barjust* | Specifies the justification with respect to the independent data value. Use one of the justification constants:  JUSTIFY_MIN, JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MAX. |

A **ChartAttribute** object sets the objects global line color, line thickness, line style, fill color and fill mode. Change the **ChartAttribute** object using the objects

**SetChartObjAttributes** method. The simple bar plot **SetColor** method can be used to change the bar color.

Individual bars in a simple bar plot object can have unique properties. Use the objects **SetSegmentAttributesMode** and **SetSegmentAttributes** methods.

**Simple bar plot example (extracted from the example program Bargraphs, class SimpleBars)**

[C#]

```
TimeSimpleDataset Dataset1 = new TimeSimpleDataset("Actual Sales",x1,y1);
TimeCoordinates pTransform1 = new TimeCoordinates();
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR , ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(0);
pTransform1.SetTimeScaleStart(new ChartCalendar(1997,ChartObj.JULY,1));
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, .15, .9, 0.8) ;
Background background = new Background( pTransform1, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND,
          Color.FromArgb(30,70,70), Color.FromArgb(90,20,155), ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(background);
.
.  // Define and add axes, axes labels and grids to chart
.
ChartAttribute attrib1 =
       new ChartAttribute (Color.Green, 0,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green);
attrib1.SetFillFlag(true);
SimpleBarPlot thePlot1 = new SimpleBarPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1,
       ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.MONTH,8), 0.0,
       attrib1, ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim Dataset1 As New TimeSimpleDataset("Actual Sales", x1, y1)
Dim pTransform1 As New TimeCoordinates()
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(0)
pTransform1.SetTimeScaleStart(New ChartCalendar(1997, ChartObj.JULY, 1))

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, 0.15, 0.9, 0.8)
Dim background As New Background(pTransform1, _
       ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND, Color.FromArgb(30, 70, 70), _
       Color.FromArgb(90, 20, 155), ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(background)
.
.  ' Define and add axes, axes labels and grids to chart
.
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 0, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green)
attrib1.SetFillFlag(True)
Dim thePlot1 As New SimpleBarPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, _
       ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.MONTH, 8), _
       0.0, attrib1, ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

\* Note how the **ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue** method calculates the width of the bars as a function of time, in this case a width of 8 months.

**Simple bar plot example that displays numeric data values (extracted from the example program Bargraphs, class SimpleBars)**

[C#]

```
.
.
.
ChartAttribute attrib1 =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.Green, 0,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green);
attrib1.SetFillFlag(true);
SimpleBarPlot thePlot1 = new SimpleBarPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1,
        ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.MONTH,8), 0.0,
        attrib1, ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER);
NumericLabel bardatavalue = thePlot1.GetPlotLabelTemplate();
bardatavalue.SetTextFont(theFont);
bardatavalue.SetNumericFormat(ChartObj.CURRENCYFORMAT);
bardatavalue.SetDecimalPos(0);
bardatavalue.SetColor(Color.White);
thePlot1.SetPlotLabelTemplate(bardatavalue);
thePlot1.SetShowDatapointValue(true);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
.
.
.
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 0, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green)
attrib1.SetFillFlag(True)
Dim thePlot1 As New SimpleBarPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, _
        ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.MONTH, 8), _
        0.0, attrib1, ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER)
Dim bardatavalue As NumericLabel = thePlot1.GetPlotLabelTemplate()
bardatavalue.SetTextFont(theFont)
bardatavalue.SetNumericFormat(ChartObj.CURRENCYFORMAT)
bardatavalue.SetDecimalPos(0)
bardatavalue.SetColor(Color.White)
thePlot1.SetPlotLabelTemplate(bardatavalue)
thePlot1.SetShowDatapointValue(True)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

# Simple Scatter Plots

## Class SimpleScatterPlot
## GraphObj
```
        |
     +--ChartPlot
           |
        +--SimplePlot
              |
           +--SimpleScatterPlot
```
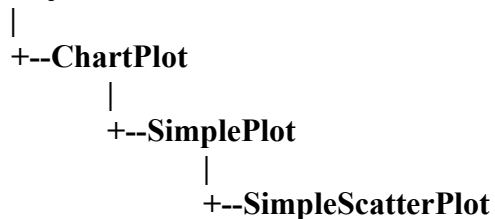
The **SimpleScatterPlot** class is a concrete implementation of the **SimplePlot** class and displays simple datasets in scatter plot format where each data point is a symbol.

**SimpleScatterPlot constructor**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As SimpleDataset, _
   ByVal symtype As Integer, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)
[C#]
public SimpleScatterPlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   SimpleDataset dataset,
   int symtype,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **SimpleScatterPlot** object. |
| *dataset* | The scatter plot represents the values in this dataset. |
| *symtype* | The symbol used in the scatter plot. Use one of the scatter plot symbol constants:  NOSYMBOL, SQUARE, TRIANGLE, DIAMOND, CROSS, PLUS, STAR, LINE, HBAR, VBAR, CIRCLE. |
| *attrib* | Specifies the attributes (size, line and fill color ) for the scatter plot. |

A **ChartAttribute** object sets the objects global outline and fill attributes. Change the simple plot objects **ChartAttribute** object using the objects **SetChartObjAttributes** method. For a simple color change of the scatter plot symbol, use the scatter plot objects **SetColor** method.

Should you need additional symbols, create your own. Any **GraphicsPath** object can be used as a symbol. The coordinates of the symbol should assume that 1.0 is the standard symbol size with a symbol center at the relative coordinates (0.5, 0.5). The example below demonstrates how to create a diamond symbol.

```
public GraphicsPath GetDiamondShape()
{ GraphicsPath result = new GraphicsPath();
  result.AddLine(0.5f, 0.0f, 0.0f, 0.5f)  ;
  result.AddLine(0.0f, 0.5f, 0.5f, 1.0f)  ;
  result.AddLine(0.5f, 1.0f, 1.0f, 0.5f)  ;
  result.CloseFigure()  ;
  return result;
}
```

Set the custom symbol using **SimpleScatterPlot.SetCustomScatterPlotSymbol** method after the **SimpleScatterPlot** object is created.

Individual scatter plot symbols in a scatter plot object can have unique properties. Use the objects **SetSegmentAttributesMode** and **SetSegmentAttributes** methods.

**Simple scatter plot example (extracted from the example program ScatterPlots, class SimpleScatter)**

[C#]

```
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, .15, .90, 0.725) ;
Background background =
    new Background( pTransform1, ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, Color.White);
chartVu.AddChartObject(background);
.
. // Define and add axes, axes labels and grids to chart
.
ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Blue, 1,DashStyle.Solid);
attrib1.SetFillColor (Color.Blue);
attrib1.SetFillFlag (true);
attrib1.SetSymbolSize(10);
SimpleScatterPlot thePlot1 =
        new SimpleScatterPlot(pTransform1, Dataset2,  ChartObj.CROSS, attrib1);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);

ChartAttribute attrib3 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Red, 1,DashStyle.Solid);
attrib3.SetFillColor (Color.Red);
attrib3.SetFillFlag (true);
attrib3.SetSymbolSize(6);
SimpleScatterPlot thePlot3 =
    new SimpleScatterPlot(pTransform1, Dataset3,  ChartObj.CIRCLE, attrib3);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot3);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, _
            ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset3, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.125, 0.15, 0.95, 0.725)
Dim background As New Background(pTransform1, ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, _
            Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(background)

.
. ' Define and add axes, axes labels and grids to chart
.

Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 1, DashStyle.Solid)
attrib1.SetFillColor(Color.Blue)
attrib1.SetFillFlag(True)
attrib1.SetSymbolSize(10)
Dim thePlot1 As New SimpleScatterPlot(pTransform1, Dataset2, _
        ChartObj.CROSS, attrib1)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)

Dim attrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 3, DashStyle.Solid)
Dim thePlot2 As New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, attrib2)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot2)

Dim attrib3 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Red, 1, DashStyle.Solid)
attrib3.SetFillColor(Color.Red)
attrib3.SetFillFlag(True)
attrib3.SetSymbolSize(6)
Dim thePlot3 As New SimpleScatterPlot(pTransform1, Dataset3, _
        ChartObj.CIRCLE, attrib3)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot3)
```

**Simple scatter plot example that uses SetSegmentAttributesMode to change the size and color of individual scatter plot symbols in the plot (extracted from the example program ScatterPlots, class ScatterPoints)**

[C#]

```
.
.
.
ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Blue, 1,DashStyle.Solid);
attrib1.SetFillColor (Color.Blue);
attrib1.SetLineFlag(true);
attrib1.SetSymbolSize(10);
SimpleScatterPlot thePlot1 =
    new SimpleScatterPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1,  ChartObj.SQUARE, attrib1);
thePlot1.SetSegmentAttributesMode(true);
ChartAttribute segmentAttrib =
    new ChartAttribute (Color.Red, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Red);
segmentAttrib.SetSymbolSize(20);
thePlot1.SetSegmentAttributes(8,segmentAttrib);
thePlot1.SetSegmentAttributes(9,segmentAttrib);
thePlot1.SetSegmentAttributes(10,segmentAttrib);
thePlot1.SetSegmentAttributes(11,segmentAttrib);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
.
.
.
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 1, DashStyle.Solid)
attrib1.SetFillColor(Color.Blue)
attrib1.SetLineFlag(True)
attrib1.SetSymbolSize(10)
Dim thePlot1 As New SimpleScatterPlot(pTransform1, _
        Dataset1, ChartObj.SQUARE, attrib1)
thePlot1.SetSegmentAttributesMode(True)
Dim segmentAttrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.Red, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Red)
segmentAttrib.SetSymbolSize(20)
thePlot1.SetSegmentAttributes(8, segmentAttrib)
thePlot1.SetSegmentAttributes(9, segmentAttrib)
thePlot1.SetSegmentAttributes(10, segmentAttrib)
thePlot1.SetSegmentAttributes(11, segmentAttrib)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

# Simple Line Marker Plots

## Class SimpleLineMarkerPlot
## GraphObj
```
      |
    +--ChartPlot
          |
        +--SimplePlot
              |
            +-- SimpleLineMarkerPlot
```
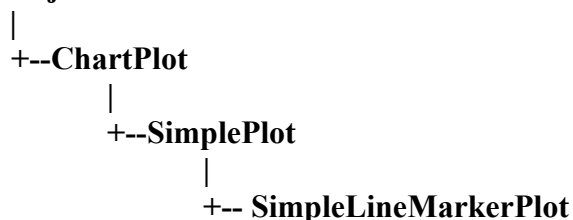
The **SimpleLineMarkerPlot** class is a concrete implementation of the **SimplePlot** class and displays simple datasets in a line plot format where scatter plot symbols highlight individual data points.

## SimpleLineMarkerPlot constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As SimpleDataset, _
   ByVal symtype As Integer, _
   ByVal lineattrib As ChartAttribute, _
   ByVal symbolattrib As ChartAttribute, _
   ByVal nsymbolstart As Integer, _
   ByVal nsymbolskip As Integer _
)
[C#]
public SimpleLineMarkerPlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   SimpleDataset dataset,
   int symtype,
   ChartAttribute lineattrib,
   ChartAttribute symbolattrib,
   int nsymbolstart,
   int nsymbolskip
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **SimpleLineMarkerPlot** object. |
| *dataset* | The line marker plot represents the values in this dataset. |
| *symtype* | The symbol used in the line marker plot. Use one of the scatter plot symbol constants:  NOSYMBOL, SQUARE, TRIANGLE, DIAMOND, CROSS, PLUS, STAR, LINE, HBAR, VBAR, CIRCLE. |
| *lineattrib* | Specifies the attributes (line color and line style) for the line part of the line marker plot. |
| *symbolattrib* | Specifies the attributes (line and fill color ) for the symbol part of the line marker plot. |
| *nsymbolstart* | Specifies the starting index for symbols in the line marker plot. |
| *nsymbolskip* | Specifies the skip factor for placing symbols in the line marker plot. |

An **ChartAttribute** object sets the objects global line color, line width and line style attributes. Change the **ChartAttribute** object using the objects **SetChartObjAttributes** method. Use the objects **setSymbolAttributes** to change the attributes of the marker symbol.

Should you need additional symbols, create your own. Any **GraphicsPath** object can be used as a symbol. The coordinates of the symbol should assume that 1.0 is the standard symbol size with a symbol center at the relative coordinates (0.5, 0.5). See the example in the discussion of the **SimpleScatterPlot** class.

Individual line segments in a line marker plot object can have unique properties. Use the objects **SetSegmentAttributesMode** and **SetSegmentAttributes** methods. If this option is used, the line and fill properties of the lines and the marker symbols will be the same.

**Simple line marker plot example (extracted from the example program LabeledDatapoints, class LabeledDatapoints)**

[C#]

```
SimpleDataset Dataset1 = new SimpleDataset("First",x1,y1);
CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE);
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, .15, .90, 0.7) ;
.
. // Define and add axes, axes labels and grids to chart
.
ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Blue, 1,DashStyle.Solid);
ChartAttribute attrib2 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Blue, 1,DashStyle.Solid);
attrib2.SetFillColor (Color.Blue);
attrib2.SetFillFlag (true);
attrib2.SetSymbolSize(10);
SimpleLineMarkerPlot thePlot1 =
            new SimpleLineMarkerPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1,
            ChartObj.SQUARE, attrib1,attrib2, 0, 1);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim Dataset1 As New SimpleDataset("First", x1, y1)
Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, _
        ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, 0.15, 0.9, 0.7)
.
. ' Define and add axes, axes labels and grids to chart
.
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 1, DashStyle.Solid)
Dim attrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 1, DashStyle.Solid)
attrib2.SetFillColor(Color.Blue)
attrib2.SetFillFlag(True)
attrib2.SetSymbolSize(10)
Dim thePlot1 As New SimpleLineMarkerPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, _
        ChartObj.SQUARE, attrib1, attrib2, 0, 1)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

**Add the following lines to the program segment above to add data point labeling to the line marker plot.**

[C#]

```csharp
thePlot1.SetShowDatapointValue(true);
NumericLabel modellabel = new NumericLabel();
modellabel.SetXJust(ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER);
modellabel.SetYJust(ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MIN);
Font modellabelfont = new Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Regular);
modellabel.SetTextFont(modellabelfont);
modellabel.SetTextNudge(0,-5);
thePlot1.SetPlotLabelTemplate(modellabel);
```

[Visual Basic]

```vbnet
Dim modellabel As New NumericLabel()
modellabel.SetXJust(ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER)
modellabel.SetYJust(ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MIN)
Dim modellabelfont As New Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Regular)
modellabel.SetTextFont(modellabelfont)
modellabel.SetTextNudge(0, -5)
thePlot1.SetPlotLabelTemplate(modellabel)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

# Simple Versa Plots

## Class SimpleVersaPlot
## GraphObj
```
        |
    +--ChartPlot
            |
        +--SimplePlot
                |
            +-- SimpleLineMarkerPlot
                    |
                +-- SimpleVersaPlot
```
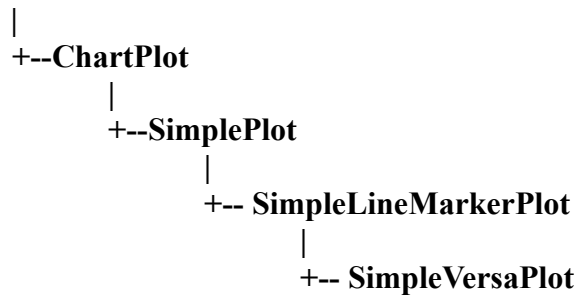
The **SimpleVersaPlot** is a plottype that can be any of the four simple plot types: LINE_MARKER_PLOT, LINE_PLOT, BAR_PLOT, SCATTER_PLOT. It is used when you want to be able to change from one plot type to another, without deleting the instance of the old plot object and creating an instance of the new.

**SimpleLineMarkerPlot constructor**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal PhysicalCoordinates As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal SimpleDataset As SimpleDataset, _
   ByVal ChartAttribute As ChartAttribute _
)
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal PhysicalCoordinates As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal SimpleDataset As SimpleDataset, _
   ByVal Double As Double, _
   ByVal Double As Double, _
   ByVal ChartAttribute As ChartAttribute, _
   ByVal Int32 As Integer _
)
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal PhysicalCoordinates As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal SimpleDataset As SimpleDataset, _
   ByVal Int32 As Integer, _
   ByVal ChartAttribute As ChartAttribute _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal PhysicalCoordinates As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal SimpleDataset As SimpleDataset, _
   ByVal Int32 As Integer, _
   ByVal ChartAttribute As ChartAttribute, _
   ByVal ChartAttribute As ChartAttribute, _
   ByVal Double As Double _
)
[C#]

public SimpleVersaPlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   SimpleDataset dataset,
   ChartAttribute lineattrib
);

public SimpleVersaPlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   SimpleDataset dataset,
   Double barwidth,
   Double barbase,
   ChartAttribute attrib,
   Int32 barjust
);

public SimpleVersaPlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   SimpleDataset dataset,
   Int32 symtype,
   ChartAttribute symbolattrib
);
public SimpleVersaPlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   SimpleDataset dataset,
   Int32 symtype,
   ChartAttribute lineattrib,
   ChartAttribute symbolattrib,
   Double barwidth
);
```

*transform*          The coordinate system for the new **SimpleVersaPlot** object.

*dataset*            The versa plot represents the values in this dataset.

*symtype*            The symbol used in the line marker plot. Use one of the scatter plot symbol constants:  NOSYMBOL, SQUARE, TRIANGLE,

DIAMOND, CROSS, PLUS, STAR, LINE, HBAR, VBAR, CIRCLE.

*lineattrib*              Specifies the attributes (line color and line style) for the line part of the line marker plot.

*symbolattrib*           Specifies the attributes (line and fill color ) for the symbol part of the line marker plot.

*nsymbolstart*           Specifies the starting index for symbols in the line marker plot.

*nsymbolskip*            Specifies the skip factor for placing symbols in the line marker plot.

*barwidth*               Specifies the width of the bar.

A **ChartAttribute** object sets the objects global line color, line width and line style attributes. Change the **ChartAttribute** object using the objects **SetChartObjAttributes** method. Use the objects **setSymbolAttributes** to change the attributes of the marker symbol.

Change the plot type using the PlotType property. Use one of the plot type constants: LINE_MARKER_PLOT, LINE_PLOT, BAR_PLOT, SCATTER_PLOT.

## Simple versa-plot example (extracted from the example program NewDemosRev2.SimpleVersaChart)

[C#]

```
ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 0, DashStyle.Solid,
Color.Green);
Color[] barcolors = { Color.Red, Color.Orange, Color.Yellow, Color.White };


double[] barbreakpoints = { 0.0, 80, 160, 240 };
int gradmode = ChartGradient.GRADIENT_MAPTO_PLOT_PHYSICAL_COORDINATES;
ChartGradient cg = new ChartGradient(pTransform1, gradmode,
    barcolors, barbreakpoints, -90);
attrib1.Gradient = cg;

attrib1.SetFillFlag(true);
thePlot1 = new SimpleVersaPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1,
   ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.MONTH, 8), 0.0,
   attrib1, ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER);
NumericLabel bardatavalue = thePlot1.GetPlotLabelTemplate();
bardatavalue.SetTextFont(theFont);
bardatavalue.SetNumericFormat(ChartObj.CURRENCYFORMAT);
bardatavalue.SetDecimalPos(0);
bardatavalue.SetColor(Color.White);
thePlot1.SetPlotLabelTemplate(bardatavalue);
thePlot1.SetShowDatapointValue(true);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 0, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green)
Dim barcolors As Color() = {Color.Red, Color.Orange, Color.Yellow, Color.White}

Dim barbreakpoints As Double() = {0.0R, 80, 160, 240}
Dim gradmode As Integer = ChartGradient.GRADIENT_MAPTO_PLOT_PHYSICAL_COORDINATES
Dim cg As New ChartGradient(pTransform1, gradmode, barcolors, barbreakpoints, -90)
attrib1.Gradient = cg

attrib1.SetFillFlag(True)
thePlot1 = New SimpleVersaPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, _
    ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.MONTH, 8), 0.0R, attrib1, _
    ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER)
 Dim bardatavalue As NumericLabel = thePlot1.GetPlotLabelTemplate()
 bardatavalue.SetTextFont(theFont)
 bardatavalue.SetNumericFormat(ChartObj.CURRENCYFORMAT)
 bardatavalue.SetDecimalPos(0)
 bardatavalue.SetColor(Color.White)
 thePlot1.SetPlotLabelTemplate(bardatavalue)
 thePlot1.SetShowDatapointValue(True)
 chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

# 11. Group Plot Objects

**GroupPlot**
> **ArrowPlot**
> **BubblePlot**
> **CandlestickPlot**
> **CellPlot**
> **ErrorBarPlot**
> **FloatingBarPlot**
> **GroupBarPlotChartPlot**
> **HistogramPlot**
> **LineGapPlot**
> **MultiLinePlot**
> **OHLCPlot**
> **StackedBarPlot**
> **StackedLinePlot**

The **GroupPlot** class is an abstract class representing plot types that use data organized as arrays of x- and y-values, where there is one or more y-value for each x-value. Group plot types include: multi-line plots, stacked line plots, stacked bar plots, group bar plots, error bar plots, floating bar plots, open-high-low-close plots, candlestick plots, arrow plots, histogram plots, cell plots and bubble plots.

The number of x-values in a group plot is referred to as the number of columns, or as **numberDatapoints** and the number of y-values *for each x-value* is referred to as the number of rows, or **numberGroups**. Think of spreadsheet that looks like:

| x-values | x[0] | x[1] | x[2] | x[3] | x[4] | x[5] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| y-values group #0 | y[0,0] | y[0,1] | y[0,2] | y[0,3] | y[0,4] | y[0,5] |
| y-values group #1 | y[1,0] | y[1,1] | y[1,2] | y[1,3] | y[1,4] | y[1,5] |
| y-values group #2 | y[2,0] | y[2,1] | y[2,2] | y[2,3] | y[2,4] | y[2,5] |

number of x-values = **numberDatapoints** = numberColumns = 6

number of y-values for each x-value = **numberGroups**  = numberRows = 3

This would be the ROW_MAJOR format if the data were stored in a CSV file.

Example program segments presented in this documentation are not complete programs and contain uninitialized and/or undefined objects and variables. Do not attempt to copy them into your own program. Refer to the referenced example program that the code is extracted from.

# Arrow Plots

## Class ArrowPlot
**GraphObj**

```
      |
    +--ChartPlot
          |
        +--GroupPlot
              |
            +--ArrowPlot
```
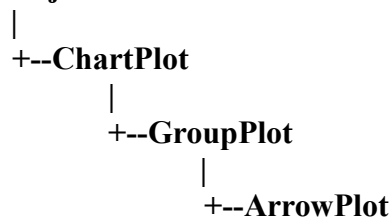
The **ArrowPlot** class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class. It displays a collection of arrows as defined by the data in a group dataset. The position, size, and rotation of each arrow in the collection is independently controlled. .  The numer of groups of the group dataset must be three.

### ArrowPlot constructor

```vb
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As GroupDataset, _
   ByVal basearrow As Arrow, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)
[C#]
public ArrowPlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   GroupDataset dataset,
   Arrow basearrow,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

*transform*            The coordinate system for the new **ArrowPlot** object.

*dataset*              The group dataset sets the position, size and rotation of individual arrows. The numer of groups must be three. Orgainize the data in the dataset in the following manner:

                       X       x-position of the arrow point.

Y[0]   y-position of the arrow point.

Y[1]   Size of the arrow. A size of 0.05 creates an arrow with a length equal to 0.05 in NORM_PLOT_POS coordinates.

Y[2]   The rotation of the arrow, using the point of the arrow as the rotation origin, in degrees.

*basearrow*   An instance of an **Arrow** object used to draw the arrows in this **ArrowPlot** object.

*attrib*   Sets the color, line and fill characteristics for the arrows in this **ArrowPlot** object.

An individual arrow in an arrow plot object can have unique attributes. Use the objects **SetSegmentAttributesMode** and **SetSegmentAttributes** methods in the manner described for **SimplePlot** objects..

**Arrow plot example (extracted from the example program ScatterPlots, class ArrowChart)**

[C#]

```
GroupDataset Dataset1 = new GroupDataset("First",x1,y1);
Dataset1.SetAutoScaleNumberGroups(1);
CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
new CartesianCoordinates( ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE);
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
pTransform1.SetScaleX(0,10);
pTransform1.SetScaleY(0,10);
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, .15, .90, 0.75) ;
.
.       // Define axes, axes labels and grids
.
ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Blue, 1,DashStyle.Solid);
attrib1.SetFillColor (Color.Blue);
attrib1.SetFillFlag (true);
Arrow basearrow = new Arrow();
ArrowPlot thePlot1 = new ArrowPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, basearrow, attrib1);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim Dataset1 As New GroupDataset("First", x1, y1)
Dataset1.SetAutoScaleNumberGroups(1)
Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, _
        ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
pTransform1.SetScaleX(0, 10)
pTransform1.SetScaleY(0, 10)
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, 0.15, 0.9, 0.75)
Dim background As New Background(pTransform1, _
        ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(background)

.
.       ' Define axes, axes labels and grids
```

```
.
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 1, DashStyle.Solid)
attrib1.SetFillColor(Color.Blue)
attrib1.SetFillFlag(True)
Dim basearrow As New Arrow()
Dim thePlot1 As New ArrowPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, basearrow, attrib1)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

*Note the use of the **GroupDataset** method **SetAutoScaleNumberGroups**. This forces the auto-scale routine to look at only the first group of y-values, since those are the only y-values that specify the absolute position of the arrows. The other groups of y-values specify size and rotation information and should not be considered in the auto-scale calculation.

# Box and Whisker Plots

## Class BoxWhiskerPlot

**GraphObj**
     |
    **+--ChartPlot**
         |
        **+--GroupPlot**
            |
           **+-- BoxWhiskerPlot**
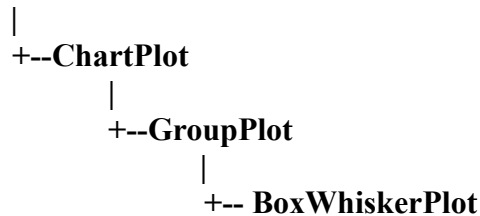
The **BoxWhiskerPlot** class extends the **GroupPlot** class and displays statistical data in a box and whisker format. The **BoxWhiskerPlot** class graphically represents groups of numerical data through their five-number summaries (the smallest observation, lower quartile (Q1), median (Q2), upper quartile (Q3), and largest observation). A **BoxWhiskerPlot** is unique among our chart types because the data is not represented by a 1D or 2D matrix. Instead, it consists of multiple populations, where each population can have a different number of data points. Each population is summarized by 5 statistics (the smallest observation, lower quartile (Q1), median (Q2), upper quartile (Q3), and largest observation), display graphically in a chart. Read the Wikipedia entry for more information concerning box and whisker plots: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Box_plot

### BoxWhiskerPlot constructor

```
Visual Basic (Declaration)
Public Sub New ( _
    transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
    rwidth As Double, _
    attrib As ChartAttribute _
)

C#
public BoxWhiskerPlot(
    PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    double rwidth,
```

```
    ChartAttribute attrib
)
```

*transform*        The coordinate system for the new **BoxWhiskerPlot** object.

*rwidth*           The width of the candlestick box in physical coordinates.

*attrib*           Specifies the attributes (line color and fill color) of the candlestick lines
                   when the close value is greater than the open value.


Once the initial **BoxWhiskerPlot** object is created, populations are added to it, one
population at a time, using the **AddPopulation** method. Each population can have a
different number of data points. Once all of the population groups are added, the software
will calculate the quartile data for each population in response to the **AutoBWChart**
method call. Each population is summarized by a single box in the box and whisker plot.

```
Visual Basic
Public Sub AddPopulation ( _
    pop As Double(), _
    xvalue As Double _
)

C#
public void AddPopulation(
    double[] pop,
    double xvalue
)
```


**Parameters**

*pop*              The source population of y-values to add.
*xvalue*           The x-value of the of y-values population.


There are several variants of box and whisker plots. Select which one you want using the
**BWFormat** property. Use one of the BW format constants: BW_MINMAX_WHISKER,
BW_IRQ15_WHISKER_OUTLIERS, BW_IQR15_WHISKER_ALLPOINTS.

| | |
|---|---|
| BW_MINMAX_WHISKER | Plot minimum, maximum values as whiskers, and the median, q25 and q75 values as the box. |
| BW_IQR15_WHISKER_OUTLIERS | Plot the minimum value within q25 - 1.5*IQR and maximum value within q75 + 1.5*IQR as whiskers, the median, q25 and q75 values as the box, and outliers as scatter plot symbols. |
| BW_IQR15_WHISKER_ALLPOINTS | Plot the minimum value within q25 - 1.5*IQR and maximum value within q75 + 1.5*IQR as the whiskers,  the median, q25 and q75 values |

as the box, and  plot all points as scatter plot symbols.

Where

q25     for a given population, q25 is the 25th percentile point in the population

q75     for a given population, q75 is the 75th percentile point in the population

IQR     for a given population, IQR is the value q75 - q25.
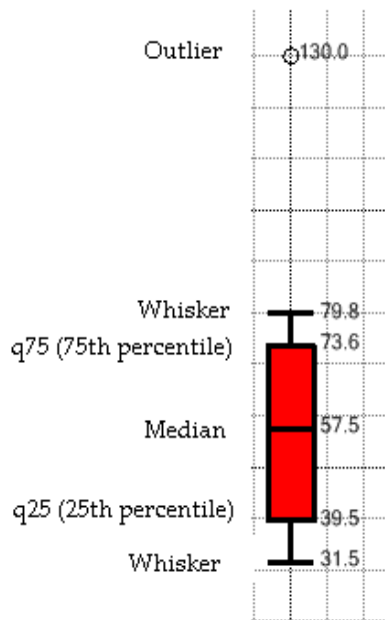


Turn on the numeric labeling of the Box and Whisker summary values (high whisker, q75, median, q25, low whisker) by setting the **BoxWhiskerPlot**. **ShowDatapointValue** property true. Turn on the numeric labeling of the scatter plot symbols used for outliers by setting the the **BoxWhiskerPlot**. **ScatterPlot.ShowDatapointValue** property true. You should not combine numeric labeling with the W_IQR15_WHISKER_ALLPOINTS option, unless you are working with a very small number of data points; otherwise the labels will all overlap one another.

**Box and whisker plot example (extracted from the example program NewDemosRev2.BoxAndWhiskerChart)**

[C#]

```csharp
            //New York City

double[] NYCity = { 31.5, 33.6, 42.4, 52.5, 62.7, 71.6, 130, 76.8, 75.5, 68.2,
57.5, 47.6, 36.6 };
            //Houston
double[] Houston = { 50.4, 53.9, 60.6, 68.3, 74.5, 80.4, 5, 100, 82.6, 82.3, 78.2,
69.6, 61, 53.5 };
            //San Francisco
double[] SanFrancisco = { 48.7, 52.2, 53.3, 55.6, 58.1, 76, 61.5, 62.7, 63.7,
64.5, 61, 54.8, 49.4 };
            //Bouston
double[] Boston = { 32.4, 53.9, 44.6, 58.3, 64.5, 70.4, 73, 90, 72.6, 72.3, 68.2,
49.6, 41, 33.5 };
            //Pittsburgh
double[] Pittsburgh = { 41.4, 54, 24.6, 38.3, 44.5, 61.4, 63, 105, 72.6, 72.3,
68.2, 49.6, 41, 33.5 };
double minval = 0.0, maxval = 0.0;
int i;
int numpnts = NYCity.Length + Houston.Length + SanFrancisco.Length + Boston.Length
+ Pittsburgh.Length;
.
.
.
ChartAttribute defaultattrib = new ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid,
Color.Red);
defaultattrib.SetFillFlag(true);
ChartAttribute fillattrib = new ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 3, DashStyle.Solid,
Color.Red);
fillattrib.SetFillFlag(true);
BoxWhiskerPlot thePlot1 = new BoxWhiskerPlot(pTransform1, 0.25, fillattrib);
thePlot1.AddPopulation(NYCity, 1);
thePlot1.AddPopulation(Houston, 2);
thePlot1.AddPopulation(SanFrancisco, 3);
thePlot1.AddPopulation(Boston, 4);
thePlot1.AddPopulation(Pittsburgh, 5);
thePlot1.BWFormat = 1;
thePlot1.BarDatapointLabelPosition = ChartObj.CENTERED_BAR;
thePlot1.PlotLabelTemplate.TextFont = new Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 8,
FontStyle.Regular);
thePlot1.PlotLabelTemplate.DecimalPos = 1;
thePlot1.ShowDatapointValue = true;
// label outliers
thePlot1.ScatterPlot.ShowDatapointValue = true;
thePlot1.AutoBWChart();

chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```vbnet
'New York City
Dim NYCity As Double() = {31.5, 33.6, 42.4, 52.5, 62.7, 71.6, _
        130, 79.8, 75.5, 68.2, 57.5, 47.6, _
        36.6}

'Houston
Dim Houston As Double() = {50.4, 53.9, 60.6, 68.3, 74.5, 80.4, _
        5, 100, 82.6, 82.3, 78.2, 69.6, _
        61, 53.5}

'San Francisco
```

```
Dim SanFrancisco As Double() = {48.7, 52.2, 53.3, 55.6, 58.1, 76, _
        61.5, 62.7, 63.7, 64.5, 61, 54.8, _
        49.4}


'Boston

Dim Boston As Double() = {32.4, 53.9, 44.6, 58.3, 64.5, 70.4, _
        73, 90, 72.6, 72.3, 68.2, 49.6, _
        41, 33.5}

'Pittsburgh

Dim Pittsburgh As Double() = {41.4, 54, 24.6, 38.3, 44.5, 61.4, _
        63, 105, 72.6, 72.3, 68.2, 49.6, _
        41, 33.5}
.
.
.
Dim defaultattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid,
Color.Red)
defaultattrib.SetFillFlag(True)
Dim fillattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 3, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Red)
fillattrib.SetFillFlag(True)
thePlot1 = New BoxWhiskerPlot(pTransform1, 0.25, fillattrib)
thePlot1.AddPopulation(NYCity, 1)
thePlot1.AddPopulation(Houston, 2)
thePlot1.AddPopulation(SanFrancisco, 3)
thePlot1.AddPopulation(Boston, 4)
thePlot1.AddPopulation(Pittsburgh, 5)

thePlot1.BWFormat = ChartObj.BW_IQR15_WHISKER_OUTLIERS
thePlot1.BarDatapointLabelPosition = ChartObj.CENTERED_BAR
thePlot1.PlotLabelTemplate.TextFont = _
    New Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 8, FontStyle.Regular)

thePlot1.PlotLabelTemplate.DecimalPos = 1
thePlot1.ShowDatapointValue = True
' label outliers
thePlot1.ScatterPlot.ShowDatapointValue = True
thePlot1.AutoBWChart()

 chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

# Bubble Plots

## Class BubblePlot

**GraphObj**
```
        |
    +--ChartPlot
            |
        +--GroupPlot
                |
            +--BubblePlot
```
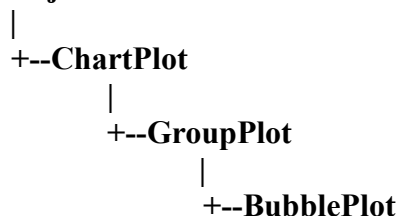
The **BubblePlot** class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class. It displays bubble plots. A group dataset specifies the position and size of each bubble in a bubble plot. The numer of groups must be two.

## BubblePlot constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As GroupDataset, _
   ByVal bubblesizetype As Integer, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)
[C#]
public BubblePlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   GroupDataset dataset,
   int bubblesizetype,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

*transform*            The coordinate system for the new bubble plot object.

*dataset*              A group dataset specifying the location and size of the bubbles in
                       the bubble plot.  The number of groups must be two. The dataset
                       values for X and Y[0] set the position of the center of each bubble
                       and the values for Y[1] set the size of each bubble, either the area
                       (SIZE_BUBBLE_AREA) or the
                       radius(SIZE_BUBBLE_RADIUS).

*bubblesizetype*       Sets whether the circle representing each bubble plot has a radius,
                       or an area, proportional to the Y[1] data values in the group
                       dataset. Set using one of the bubble plot type constants:
                       SIZE_BUBBLE_RADIUS or SIZE_BUBBLE_AREA.

*attrib*               Specifies the attributes (line color and fill color) of the bubble plot
                       circles.

An individual bubble in a bubble plot object can have unique attributes. Use the objects
**SetSegmentAttributesMode** and **SetSegmentAttributes** methods in the manner
described for **SimplePlot** objects..

## Bubble plot example (extracted from the example program ScatterPlots, class BubbleChart)

[C#]

```
TimeGroupDataset Dataset1 = new TimeGroupDataset("First",x1,y1);
Dataset1.SetStackMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_STACKED);
TimeCoordinates pTransform1 =
new TimeCoordinates( ChartObj.TIME_SCALE, ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE);
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, .15, .80, 0.75) ;
.
.  // Define axes, axes labels and grids
```

```
.
ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 0,DashStyle.Solid);
attrib1.SetFillColor (Color.FromArgb(177, 33, 33));
attrib1.SetFillFlag (true);
BubblePlot thePlot1 = new BubblePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1,
                          ChartObj.SIZE_BUBBLE_RADIUS, attrib1);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim Dataset1 As New TimeGroupDataset("First", x1, y1)
Dataset1.SetStackMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_STACKED)
Dim pTransform1 As New TimeCoordinates(ChartObj.TIME_SCALE, ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, 0.15, 0.8, 0.75)
.
.   ' Define axes, axes labels and grids
.

Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 0, DashStyle.Solid)
attrib1.SetFillColor(Color.FromArgb(177, 33, 33))
attrib1.SetFillFlag(True)
Dim thePlot1 As New BubblePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, _
       ChartObj.SIZE_BUBBLE_RADIUS, attrib1)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

[*]Note the use of the **GroupDataset** method **SetStackMode**. This forces the auto-scale routine to look at the sum of y-values across groups, as is needed to auto-scale stacked plots. It is useful for bubble plots of type SIZE_BUBBLE_RADIUS because the y[0] value represents the y-position of the bubble, and the y[1] value the radius in physical coordinates. Adding the two for each bubble gives the maximum y-value for the scale needed to display the bubble. If SIZE_BUBBLE_AREA is used you may want to restrict the auto-scale routines to the just look at the bubble position using **SetAutoScaleNumberGroups(1),** as seen in the **ArrowPlot** example. You could then add in some fudge factor to make sure that the scale shows the entire bubble. The example under CellPlot demonstrates this.

# Candlestick Plots

## Class CandlestickPlot
**GraphObj**
```
    |
  +--ChartPlot
        |
      +--GroupPlot
            |
           +-- CandlestickPlot
```
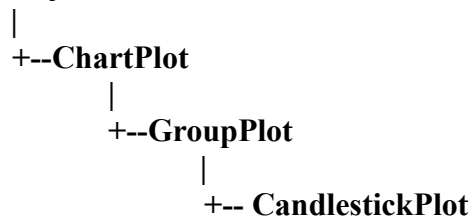
The **CandlestickPlot** class is a concrete implementation of the **GroupPlot** class. It extends the **GroupPlot** class and displays stock market data in an open-high-low-close format common in financial technical analysis. Every item of the plot is a group of two

horizontal lines representing High and Low values which are connected with a vertical line and a box representing the Open and Close values.  If the Open value is greater than the Close value for a particular candlestick, the box is filled, otherwise it is unfilled.  The number of groups must be four.  The data in the dataset is organized in the following manner: The Y[0] values of the group dataset represent the values for Open, the Y[1] values for High, the Y[2] values for Low, and the Y[3] values for Close.

**CandlestickPlot constructor**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As GroupDataset, _
   ByVal rwidth As Double, _
   ByVal defaultattrib As ChartAttribute, _
   ByVal fillattrib As ChartAttribute _
)
[C#]
public CandlestickPlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   GroupDataset dataset,
   double rwidth,
   ChartAttribute defaultattrib,
   ChartAttribute fillattrib
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **CandlestickPlot** object. |
| *dataset* | The **CandlestickPlot** plot represents the group open-high-low-close values in this group dataset. The number of groups must be four. Orgainize the data in the following manner: The x-values of the group dataset set the x-positions of the candlestick objects. The Y[0] values of the group dataset represent the values for Open, the Y[1] values for High, the Y[2] values for Low, and the Y[3] values for Close. |
| *rwidth* | The width of the candlestick box in physical coordinates. |
| *defaultattrib* | Specifies the default attributes (line color and fill color) of the candlestick lines and box. |
| *fillattrib* | Specifies the attributes (line color and fill color) of the candlestick lines when the close value is greater than the open value. |

An individual candlestick in a candlestick plot object can have unique attributes. Use the objects **SetSegmentAttributesMode** and **SetSegmentAttributes** methods in the manner described for **SimplePlot** objects..

**Candlestick plot example (extracted from the example program FinancialExamples, class CandlestickChart)**

[C#]

```
TimeGroupDataset Dataset1 =
        new TimeGroupDataset("Stock Data",xValues,stockPriceData);
.
.  // Define axes, axes labels and grids
.
ChartAttribute defaultattrib =
         new ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.White);
defaultattrib.SetFillFlag(true);
ChartAttribute fillattrib =
        new ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Red);
fillattrib.SetFillFlag(true);
CandlestickPlot thePlot1 =
        new CandlestickPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1,
            ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.DAY_OF_YEAR,0.8),
            defaultattrib, fillattrib);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim Dataset1 As New TimeGroupDataset("Stock Data", xValues, stockPriceData)
.
.  ' Define axes, axes labels and grids
.
Dim defaultattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.White)
defaultattrib.SetFillFlag(True)
Dim fillattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Red)
fillattrib.SetFillFlag(True)
Dim thePlot1 As New CandlestickPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1,
        ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.DAY_OF_YEAR, 0.8),
defaultattrib, fillattrib)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

* Note how the **ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue** method calculates the width of the bars as a function of time, in this case a width of 0.8 months.

# Cell Plots

## Class CellPlot
## GraphObj
```
      |
    +--ChartPlot
          |
        +--GroupPlot
              |
            +--CellPlot
```
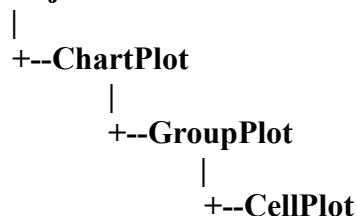
The **CellPlot** class extends the **GroupPlot** class and displays cell plots. A cell plot is a collection of rectangular objects with independent positions, widths and heights, specified using the values of the associated group dataset. The number of groups must be three. The (X, Y[0]) values of the group dataset represent the xy position of the lower left corner of each cell, the Y[1] values set the width of the cell, and the Y[2] values set the height of the cell. Each cell can be filled using a color, or an image.

### CellPlot constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As GroupDataset, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)
[C#]
public CellPlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   GroupDataset dataset,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **CellPlot** object. |
| *dataset* | The cell plot represents the values in this group dataset. The number of groups must be three. The (X, Y[0]) values of the group dataset represent the xy position of the lower left corner of each cell, the Y[1] values set the width of the cell, and the Y[2] values set the height of the cell. |
| *attrib* | Specifies the attributes (line color and line style) for the cell plot. |

Cells can be filled with an image instead of a solid color. Use the **CellPlot.SetPlotImage** method to place a System.Drawing.Image object in the cells of a cell plot. One image applies to all of the cells in the cell plot.

An individual cell in the cell plot object can have unique attributes. Use the objects **SetSegmentAttributesMode** and **SetSegmentAttributes** methods in the manner described for **SimplePlot** objects.

### Cell plot example (extracted from the example program ScatterPlots, class CellPlotChart)

[C#]

```
GroupDataset Dataset1 = new GroupDataset("First",x1,y1);
Dataset1.SetAutoScaleNumberGroups(1); // picks up on width, but because data is
```

```
                                          // should still work
CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE);
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
// Add-in max width of cells
double maxx = pTransform1.GetScaleStopX() + 20;
// Add-in max height of cells
double maxy = pTransform1.GetScaleStopY() + 10;
pTransform1.SetScaleStopX(maxx);
pTransform1.SetScaleStopY(maxy);
// Re-auto-scale to produce rounded axis values.
pTransform1.AutoScale(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR);
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, .15, .90, 0.75) ;
.
.   // Define axes, axes labels and grids
.
ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Blue, 1,DashStyle.Solid);
attrib1.SetFillColor (Color.Blue);
attrib1.SetFillFlag (true);
CellPlot thePlot1 = new CellPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1,  attrib1);
for (i=0; i < numPoints; i++)
    thePlot1.SetSegmentColor(i, Color.FromArgb((int)(x1[i]),
                (int) (y1[0,i]*2.0), (int) ((y1[1,i] + y1[2,i])* 7)));
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim Dataset1 As New GroupDataset("First", x1, y1)

Dataset1.SetAutoScaleNumberGroups(1) ' picks up on width, but because data is
                                     ' random, should still work
Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, _
        ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
' Add-in max width of cells
Dim maxx As Double = pTransform1.GetScaleStopX() + 20
' Add-in max height of cells
Dim maxy As Double = pTransform1.GetScaleStopY() + 10
pTransform1.SetScaleStopX(maxx)
pTransform1.SetScaleStopY(maxy)
' Re-auto-scale to produce rounded axis values.
pTransform1.AutoScale(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR)
.
.   ' Define axes, axes labels and grids
.
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 1, DashStyle.Solid)
attrib1.SetFillColor(Color.Blue)
attrib1.SetFillFlag(True)
Dim thePlot1 As New CellPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, attrib1)
For i = 0 To numPoints - 1
     thePlot1.SetSegmentColor(i, Color.FromArgb(CInt(x1(i)), _
                              CInt(y1(0, i) * 2.0), _
                              CInt((y1(1, i) + y1(2, i)) * 7)))
Next i
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

[*]Note the use of the **GroupDataset** method **SetAutoScaleNumberGroups**. This forces the auto-scale routine to look at just the first group of values, Y[0], because those are the only absolute position values. The maximum cell width and height are calculated and added to the initial scale. The auto-scale function is then rerun, producing a coordinate system that takes into account the widths and heights of the cells.

## Error Bar Plots

## Class ErrorBarPlot

**GraphObj**
      |
     **+--ChartPlot**
          |
           **+--GroupPlot**
               |
                 **+-- ErrorBarPlot**
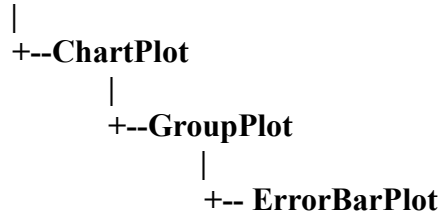
The **ErrorBarPlot** class extends the **GroupPlot** class and displays error bars. Error bars are two lines positioned around a data point to signify the statistical error associated with the data point. The number of groups must be two. The (X, Y[0]) values of the group dataset represent the xy position of the first error bar lines, the (X, Y[1]) values of the group dataset represent the xy position of the second error bar lines. The error bar lines center on the X. Connecting the error bar lines with a perpendicular line is an option.

### ErrorBarPlot constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As GroupDataset, _
   ByVal rbarwidth As Double, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)
[C#]
public ErrorBarPlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   GroupDataset dataset,
   double rbarwidth,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **ErrorBarPlot** object. The number of groups must be two. |
| *dataset* | The error bar plot represents the values in this group dataset. The number of groups must be two. The (X, Y[0]) values of the group dataset represent the xy position of the first error bar lines, the (X,Y[1]) values of the group dataset represent the xy position of the second error bar lines. |
| *rbarwidth* | The width of the error bars. |

*attrib*          Specifies the attributes (line color and line style) for the error bars.

An individual set of error bars in an error bar plot object can have unique attributes. Use the objects **SetSegmentAttributesMode** and **SetSegmentAttributes** methods in the manner described for **SimplePlot** objects.

# Floating Bar Plots

## Class FloatingBarPlot
**GraphObj**
```
        |
     +--ChartPlot
            |
         +--GroupPlot
               |
            +-- FloatingBarPlot
```
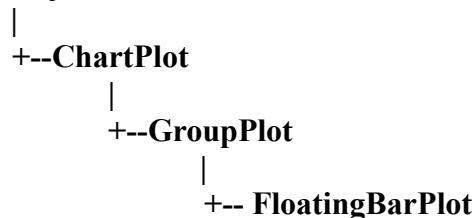
The **FloatingBarPlot** class extends the **GroupBarPlot** class and displays floating bar plots. The bars are free floating because each bar does not reference a fixed base value, as do the simple bar plots, stacked bar plots and group bar plots. The number of groups must be two. The (X, Y[0]) values of the group dataset represent the starting points of each bar, the (X, Y[1]) values of the group dataset represent the ending points of each bar. All bars in a given **FloatingBarPlot** object have the same width.

**FloatingBarPlot constructor**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As GroupDataset, _
   ByVal rbarwidth As Double, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute, _
   ByVal nbarjust As Integer _
)
[C#]
public FloatingBarPlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   GroupDataset dataset,
   double rbarwidth,
   ChartAttribute attrib,
   int nbarjust
);
```

*transform*          The coordinate system for the new **FloatingBarPlot** object.

*dataset*          The floating bar plot represents the values in this group dataset. The number of groups must be two. The (X, Y[0]) values of the

group dataset represent the starting points of each bar, the (X, Y[1]) values of the group dataset represent the ending points of each bar.

*rbarwidth*           The width of the floating bars in units of the independent axis.

*attrib*               Specifies the attributes (line and fill color) for the floating bars.

*nbarjust*           Specifies the justification with respect to the independent data value. Use one of the justification constants:  JUSTIFY_MIN, JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MAX.

An individual bar in a floating bar plot object can have unique attributes. Use the objects **SetSegmentAttributesMode** and **SetSegmentAttributes** methods in the manner described for **SimplePlot** objects..

Scheduling charts often use floating bars, where the starting and ending values of the bar represent the duration of some aspect of a project. The default use of the floating bar class assumes that the ends of the bars are floating point values, not date/time values. Yet the scheduling chart often uses date/time values to specify the bar ends. Since only the x-axis works with time values, the floating bars of a scheduling chart need to used in the horizontal orientation mode, set using the **FloatingBar.SetBarOrient** method. Used in this mode, the x-values of the dataset position the bars with respect to the y-axis, and the y-values of the dataset position the ends of the bars with respect to the x-axis. In order to have a group dataset object that stores x-values as doubles and the y-group values as **ChartCalendar** dates you must use a special **TimeGroupDataset** constructor:

```
 [Visual Basic]
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal sname As String, _
   ByVal x As ChartCalendar(), _
   ByVal y As ChartCalendar(,) _
)
[C#]
public TimeGroupDataset(
   string sname,
   ChartCalendar[] x,
   ChartCalendar[,] y
);
```

If you manually scale the **TimeCoordinates** object, you can proceed as in all the other examples that use a date/time x-axis.  If you need to use the auto-scaling capability, you will need to add a few additional steps.

Place the data in a **TimeGroupDataset** dataset and use it to auto-scale a **TimeCoordinates** scaling object. The only problem here is that since the y-values are the time values, the chart y-axis will end up as the time axis and the x-axis will end up the numeric axis. Call the **TimeCoordinates.SwapScaleOrientation** in order to get it back

to the orientation we want. This swaps the scale orientation so the x-axis is the time axis and the y-axis is the numeric axis. See the second of the two examples below for more details about how to use date/time values to specify the bar ends of a floating bar plot.

**Floating bar plot example that uses numeric values as the floating bar endpoints (extracted from the example program Bargraphs, class FloatingBars)**

[C#]

```
GroupDataset Dataset1 =
   new GroupDataset("Actual Sales",x1,y1);
CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 = new CartesianCoordinates();
pTransform1.SetScaleStartX(0);
pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(0);
pTransform1.SetScaleStopX(12);
pTransform1.SetScaleStopY(7);
.
.  // Define axes, axes labels and grids
.
FloatingBarPlot thePlot1 = new FloatingBarPlot(pTransform1);
ChartAttribute attrib1 =
   new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 1,ChartObj.DashStyle.Solid., Color.Green);
attrib1.SetFillFlag(true);
thePlot1.floatingBarPlot(Dataset1, 0.75, attrib1, ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER);
thePlot1.SetBarOrient(ChartObj.HORIZ_DIR);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim Dataset1 As New GroupDataset("Actual Sales", x1, y1)
Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates()

pTransform1.SetScaleStartX(0)
pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(0)
pTransform1.SetScaleStopX(12)
pTransform1.SetScaleStopY(7)
.
.  ' Define axes, axes labels and grids
.
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green)
attrib1.SetFillFlag(True)
Dim thePlot1 As New FloatingBarPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, 0.75, attrib1, _
        ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER)
thePlot1.SetBarOrient(ChartObj.HORIZ_DIR)
```

**Floating bar plot example that uses date/time values as the floating bar endpoints (extracted from the example program Bargraphs, class FloatingBars2s)**

[C#]

```
int nnumpnts = 18;
int numgroups = 2;
double []x1= new double[nnumpnts];
ChartCalendar [,]y1 = new ChartCalendar[numgroups,nnumpnts];

x1[0] = 6;
```

```
y1[0,0] = new ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY,1);
y1[1,0] = new ChartCalendar(2003, ChartObj.JANUARY,1);

x1[1] = 5;
y1[0,1] = new ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY,1);
y1[1,1] = new ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.MAY,1);
.
.
.
x1[17] = 1;
y1[0,17] = new ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JULY,1);
y1[1,17] = new ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.OCTOBER,1);

theFont = new Font("SansSerif", 10,  FontStyle.Bold);
TimeGroupDataset Dataset1 = new TimeGroupDataset("Actual Sales",x1,y1);
TimeCoordinates pTransform1 = new TimeCoordinates();
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1,ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR,  ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR);

pTransform1.SwapScaleOrientation();
pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(0);
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.22, .15, .95, 0.8) ;
.
.  // Define axes, axes labels and grids
.
FloatingBarPlot thePlot1 = new FloatingBarPlot(pTransform1);
ChartAttribute attrib1 =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green);
attrib1.SetFillFlag(true);
thePlot1.InitFloatingBarPlot(Dataset1, 0.75, attrib1, ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER);
thePlot1.SetBarOrient(ChartObj.HORIZ_DIR);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

## [Visual Basic]

```
Dim nnumpnts As Integer = 18
Dim numgroups As Integer = 2
Dim x1(nnumpnts - 1) As Double
Dim y1(numgroups - 1, nnumpnts - 1) As ChartCalendar
x1(0) = 6
y1(0, 0) = New ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1)
y1(1, 0) = New ChartCalendar(2003, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1)

x1(1) = 5
y1(0, 1) = New ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1)
y1(1, 1) = New ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.MAY, 1)
.
.
.
x1(17) = 1
y1(0, 17) = New ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JULY, 1)
y1(1, 17) = New ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.OCTOBER, 1)



theFont = New Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Bold)

Dim Dataset1 As TimeGroupDataset = New TimeGroupDataset("Actual Sales", x1, y1)
Dim pTransform1 As TimeCoordinates = New TimeCoordinates()
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR)

pTransform1.SwapScaleOrientation()
pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(0)
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.22, 0.15, 0.95, 0.8)
.
.  ' Define axes, axes labels and grids
.
Dim thePlot1 As FloatingBarPlot = New FloatingBarPlot(pTransform1)
Dim attrib1 As ChartAttribute = New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green)
```

```
attrib1.SetFillFlag(True)
thePlot1.InitFloatingBarPlot(Dataset1, 0.75, attrib1, ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER)
thePlot1.SetBarOrient(ChartObj.HORIZ_DIR)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

# Floating Stacked Bar Plots

## Class FloatingStackedBarPlot

**GraphObj**
```
      |
   +--ChartPlot
          |
       +--GroupPlot
              |
           +-- FloatingStackedBarPlot
```
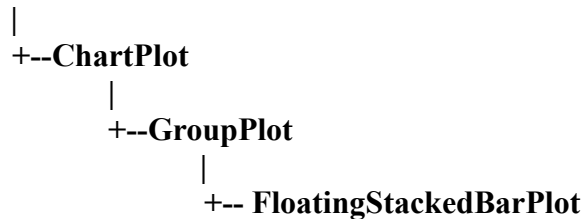
The **FloatingStackedBarPlot** class extends the **GroupPlot** class and displays floating stacked bar plots. The bars are free floating because each bar does not reference a fixed base value, as do the simple bar plots, stacked bar plots and group bar plots. The starting value for each stacked bar is Y[0]. Each bar after that is defined by the succeeding value in the group value array (Y[1], Y[2].. ).  Unlike the **StackedBarPlot** plot, the displayed values are not a cumulative sum of the group values. All bars in a given **FloatingStackedBarPlot** object have the same width.

### FloatingStackedBarPlot constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As GroupDataset, _
   ByVal rbarwidth As Double, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute(), _
   ByVal nbarjust As Integer _
)
[C#]
public FloatingStackedBarPlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   GroupDataset dataset,
   double rbarwidth,
   ChartAttribute[] attrib,
   int nbarjust
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **FloatingStackedBarPlot** object. |
| *dataset* | The starting value for each stacked bar is Y[0]. Each bar after that is defined by the succeeding value in the group value array (Y[1], Y[2].. ). |
| *rbarwidth* | The width of the floating bars in units of the independent axis. |

attrib                     An array of **ChartAttribute** specifying the color for each bar. The
                           number of colors, and the length of the array should be one less
                           than the number of  groups in the source dataset..

nbarjust                   Specifies the justification with respect to the independent data
                           value. Use one of the justification constants:  JUSTIFY_MIN,
                           JUSTIFY_CENTER, JUSTIFY_MAX.

**FloatingStackedBarPlot** plots can be used in place of **OHLCPlots**, or **CandlestickPlots**
for the display of financial information. See the example below.

**Floating stacked bar plot example for displaying stock data. Extracted from the
NewDemosRev2. FloatingStackedBars example.**

[C#]

```
TimeGroupDataset Dataset1 = new TimeGroupDataset("Stock
Data",xValues,stockPriceData);
pTransform1 = new TimeCoordinates();
pTransform1.SetWeekType(weekmode);
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1,ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR,  ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR);
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, .15, .90, 0.75) ;

SetInitialDates(pTransform1);

Background graphbackground1 =
    new Background( pTransform1, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND,
    Color.White, Color.LightGray, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(graphbackground1);
Background plotbackground1 =
    new Background( pTransform1, ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND,Color.White);
chartVu.AddChartObject(plotbackground1);
.
.
.
ChartAttribute attrib1 =
    new ChartAttribute(Color.Red, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Red);
ChartAttribute attrib2 =
    new ChartAttribute(Color.Yellow, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Yellow);
ChartAttribute attrib3 =
    new ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue);
ChartAttribute attrib4 =
    new ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green);
ChartAttribute[] attribArray = { attrib1, attrib2, attrib3, attrib4 };
attrib1.SetFillFlag(true);
thePlot1 = new FloatingStackedBarPlot(pTransform1,
    Dataset1, ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.DAY_OF_YEAR, 0.75),
    attribArray, ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER);
thePlot1.SetFastClipMode(ChartObj.FASTCLIP_X);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim Dataset1 As New TimeGroupDataset("Stock Data", xValues, stockPriceData)
```

```
pTransform1 = New TimeCoordinates()
pTransform1.SetWeekType(weekmode)
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR)
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, 0.15, 0.9, 0.75)

SetInitialDates(pTransform1)

Dim graphbackground1 As New Background(pTransform1, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND, _
Color.White, Color.LightGray, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(graphbackground1)
Dim plotbackground1 As New Background(pTransform1, ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, _
Color.White)
.
.
.
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Red, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Red)
Dim attrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Yellow, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Yellow)
Dim attrib3 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue)
Dim attrib4 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green)
Dim attribArray As ChartAttribute() = {attrib1, attrib2, attrib3, attrib4}
attrib1.SetFillFlag(True)
thePlot1 = New FloatingStackedBarPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, _
  ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.DAY_OF_YEAR, 0.75), _
  attribArray, ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER)
thePlot1.SetFastClipMode(ChartObj.FASTCLIP_X)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

# Group Bar Plots

## Class GroupBarPlot

**GraphObj**
```
     |
   +--ChartPlot
          |
        +--GroupPlot
               |
             +--GroupBarPlot
```
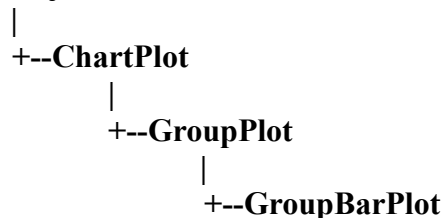
The **GroupBarPlot** class extends the **GroupPlot** class and displays data in a group bar format. Individual bars, the height of which corresponds to the group values (Y[0], Y[1], Y[2], ...) of the dataset, are displayed side by side, as a group, justified with respect to the X-position value for each group.

### GroupBarPlot constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As GroupDataset, _
   ByVal rbarwidth As Double, _
   ByVal rbarbase As Double, _
   ByVal attribs As ChartAttribute(), _
   ByVal nbarjust As Integer _
)
[C#]
public GroupBarPlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   GroupDataset dataset,
```

```
    GroupDataset dataset,
    double rbarwidth,
    double rbarbase,
    ChartAttribute[] attribs,
    int nbarjust
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **GroupPlot** object. |
| *dataset* | The group bar graph represents the values in this group dataset. Individual bars, the height of which corresponds to the group values (Y[0], Y[1], Y[2], ...) of the dataset. |
| *rbarwidth* | The width of the group bars in units of the independent axis. All bars within a group are squeezed into the width defined by *rbarwidth*. Each individual bar within the group has a width of *rbarwidth*/*dataset*.GetNumberGroups(). |
| *rbarbase* | The group bars start at the value *rbarbase*, and extend to the group bar values represented by the dataset. |
| *attribs* | An array of **ChartAttribute** objects, sized the same as the number of groups in the dataset specify the attributes (outline color and fill color) for each group of a group bar graph. |
| *nbarjust* | The group bars are justified with respect to the x-values in the dataset using the *rbarjust* justification value (JUSTIFY_MIN, JUSTIFY_CENTER, or JUSTIFY_MAX). |

The attributes for each group can set or modified using the SetSegment… methods, where the segment number parameter cooresponds to the group number. These methods include SetSegmentAttributes, SetSegmentFillColor, SetSegmentLineColor, and SetSegmentColor.

**Group bar plot example (extracted from the example program Bargraphs, class GroupBargraphs)**

[C#]

```
TimeGroupDataset Dataset1 =
       new TimeGroupDataset("GroupTimeData",xValues,groupBarData);
TimeCoordinates pTransform1 = new TimeCoordinates();
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1,ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR,  ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR);
pTransform1.SetTimeScaleStart(new ChartCalendar(1997,ChartObj.JANUARY,1));
pTransform1.SetTimeScaleStop(new ChartCalendar(2003,ChartObj.JANUARY,1));
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, .1, .45, 0.75) ;
Background background1 = new Background( pTransform1, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND,
          Color.FromArgb(0,120,70), Color.FromArgb(0,40,30), ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(background1);
.
.  // Define axes, axes labels and grids
```

```
.
ChartAttribute attrib1 =
            new ChartAttribute(Color.Red, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Red);
ChartAttribute attrib2 =
            new ChartAttribute(Color.Yellow, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Yellow);
ChartAttribute attrib3 =
            new ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue);
ChartAttribute attrib4 =
            new ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green);
ChartAttribute []attribArray = {attrib1, attrib2, attrib3, attrib4};
GroupBarPlot thePlot1 = new GroupBarPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1,
            ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.YEAR,0.75), 0.0,
            attribArray, ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER);
thePlot1.SetBarOverlap(0.0);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

## [Visual Basic]

```
Dim Dataset1 As New TimeGroupDataset("GroupTimeData", xValues, groupBarData)
 ' Group Bargraph
Dim pTransform1 As New TimeCoordinates()
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR)

pTransform1.SetTimeScaleStart(New ChartCalendar(1997, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1))
pTransform1.SetTimeScaleStop(New ChartCalendar(2003, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1))

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, 0.1, 0.45, 0.75)

Dim background1 As New Background(pTransform1, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND, _
        Color.FromArgb(0, 120, 70), Color.FromArgb(0, 40, 30), ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(background1)

pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(0)
Dim xAxis1 As New TimeAxis(pTransform1)
xAxis1.SetColor(Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis1)

Dim yAxis1 As New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
yAxis1.SetColor(Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis1)

Dim xAxisLab1 As New TimeAxisLabels(xAxis1)
xAxisLab1.SetAxisLabelsFormat(ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_Y2000)
xAxisLab1.SetColor(Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab1)

Dim yAxisLab1 As New NumericAxisLabels(yAxis1)
yAxisLab1.SetAxisLabelsFormat(ChartObj.CURRENCYFORMAT)
yAxisLab1.SetColor(Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab1)

Dim xgrid1 As New Grid(xAxis1, yAxis1, ChartObj.X_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR)
xgrid1.SetColor(Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xgrid1)

Dim ygrid1 As New Grid(xAxis1, yAxis1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR)
ygrid1.SetColor(Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(ygrid1)


Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Red, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Red)
Dim attrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Yellow, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Yellow)
Dim attrib3 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue)
Dim attrib4 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green)
Dim attribArray As ChartAttribute() = {attrib1, attrib2, attrib3, attrib4}
Dim thePlot1 As New GroupBarPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, _
        ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.YEAR, 0.75), 0.0, _
        attribArray, ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER)
thePlot1.SetBarOverlap(0.0)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

# Histogram Plots

## Class HistogramPlot

**GraphObj**
```
     |
     +--ChartPlot
            |
            +--GroupPlot
                   |
                   +--HistogramPlot
```
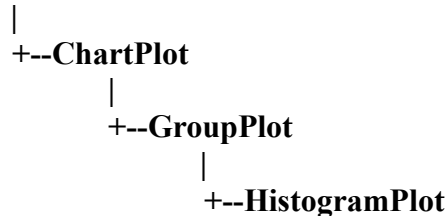
The **HistogramPlot** class extends the **GroupPlot** class and displays histogram plots. A histogram plot is a collection of rectangular objects with independent positions, widths and heights, specified using the values of the associated group dataset. The number of groups must be two.  The X-values of the group dataset represent the x-position of the lower left corner of each histogram bar, the Y[0] values set the height of each histogram bar, and the Y[1] values set the width of each histogram bar. The histogram bars share a common base value.

### Histogram constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As GroupDataset, _
   ByVal rbarbase As Double, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)
[C#]
public HistogramPlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   GroupDataset dataset,
   double rbarbase,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **HistogramPlot** object. |
| *dataset* | The histogram plot represents the values in this group dataset. The number of groups must be two.  The X-values of the group dataset represent the x-position of the lower left corner of each histogram bar, the Y[0] values set the height of each histogram bar, and the Y[1] values set the width of each histogram bar. |
| *rbarbase* | The histogram bars start at the value *rbarbase*, and extend to the histogram bar values represented by the dataset. |

| | |
|---|---|
| *attrib* | Specifies the attributes (line color and line style) for the histogram bars. |

An individual histogram bar in the histogram plot object can have unique attributes. Use the objects **SetSegmentAttributesMode** and **SetSegmentAttributes** methods in the manner described for **SimplePlot** objects. Each histogram bar can be labeled with the Y[0] group value bar (bar height) using the bar data point methods, see the example below.

**Histogram plot example (extracted from the example program Bargraphs, class HistogramBars)**

[C#]

```csharp
int nnumpnts = 6;
int numgroups = 2;
double []x1= new double[nnumpnts];
double [,]y1 = new double[numgroups,nnumpnts];

//            height              width
x1[0] = 0;   y1[0,0] = .12; y1[1,0] = 13;
x1[1] = 13;  y1[0,1] = .97; y1[1,1] = 7;
x1[2] = 20;  y1[0,2] = .80; y1[1,2] = 10;
x1[3] = 30;  y1[0,3] = .44; y1[1,3] = 10;
x1[4] = 40;  y1[0,4] = .28; y1[1,4] = 20;
x1[5] = 60;  y1[0,5] = .4;  y1[1,5] = 20;

theFont = new Font("SansSerif", 10,  FontStyle.Bold);

GroupDataset Dataset1 = new GroupDataset("Actual Sales",x1,y1);
CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 = new CartesianCoordinates();

pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(0);
pTransform1.SetScaleStartX(0);
pTransform1.SetScaleStopX(80);
pTransform1.SetScaleStopY(1.00);
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, .15, .9, 0.75) ;
Background graphbackground =
          new Background( pTransform1, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND,
               Color.FromArgb(30,70,70), Color.FromArgb(90,20,155),
               ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(graphbackground);

Background plotbackground = new Background( pTransform1,
          ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, Color.Black);
chartVu.AddChartObject(plotbackground);
.
.  // Define axes, axes labels and grids
.
ChartAttribute attrib1 =
          new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 0,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Green);
attrib1.SetFillFlag(true);
HistogramPlot thePlot1 = new HistogramPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, 0.0, attrib1);

NumericLabel bardatavalue = thePlot1.GetPlotLabelTemplate();
bardatavalue.SetTextFont(theFont);
bardatavalue.SetNumericFormat(ChartObj.PERCENTFORMAT);
```

```
bardatavalue.SetColor(Color.Black);
thePlot1.SetBarDatapointLabelPosition(ChartObj.INSIDE_BAR);
thePlot1.SetPlotLabelTemplate(bardatavalue);
thePlot1.SetShowDatapointValue(true);

thePlot1.SetSegmentAttributesMode(true);
thePlot1.SetSegmentFillColor(0,Color.Red);
thePlot1.SetSegmentFillColor(1, Color.Magenta);
thePlot1.SetSegmentFillColor(2, Color.Blue);
thePlot1.SetSegmentFillColor(3, Color.Green);
thePlot1.SetSegmentFillColor(4, Color.Yellow);
thePlot1.SetSegmentFillColor(5, Color.Pink);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim Dataset1 As New GroupDataset("Actual Sales", x1, y1)
Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates()
pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(0)
pTransform1.SetScaleStartX(0)
pTransform1.SetScaleStopX(80)
pTransform1.SetScaleStopY(1.0)

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, 0.15, 0.9, 0.75)
Dim graphbackground As New Background(pTransform1, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND, _
        Color.FromArgb(30, 70, 70), Color.FromArgb(90, 20, 155), ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(graphbackground)
.
.  ' Define axes, axes labels and grids
.
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 0, DashStyle.Solid, _
            Color.Green)
attrib1.SetFillFlag(True)
Dim thePlot1 As New HistogramPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, 0.0, attrib1)

Dim bardatavalue As NumericLabel = thePlot1.GetPlotLabelTemplate()
bardatavalue.SetTextFont(theFont)
bardatavalue.SetNumericFormat(ChartObj.PERCENTFORMAT)
bardatavalue.SetColor(Color.Black)
thePlot1.SetBarDatapointLabelPosition(ChartObj.INSIDE_BAR)
thePlot1.SetPlotLabelTemplate(bardatavalue)
thePlot1.SetShowDatapointValue(True)

thePlot1.SetSegmentAttributesMode(True)
thePlot1.SetSegmentFillColor(0, Color.Red)
thePlot1.SetSegmentFillColor(1, Color.Magenta)
thePlot1.SetSegmentFillColor(2, Color.Blue)
thePlot1.SetSegmentFillColor(3, Color.Green)
thePlot1.SetSegmentFillColor(4, Color.Yellow)
thePlot1.SetSegmentFillColor(5, Color.Pink)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

# Line Gap Plots

## Class LineGapPlot
**GraphObj**
```
        |
     +--ChartPlot
            |
```

```
        +--GroupPlot
              |
              +-- LineGapPlot
```
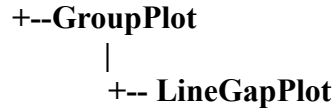
The **LineGapPlot** class extends the **GroupPlot** class and displays a line gap chart. The number of groups must be two. A line gap chart consists of two line plots where a contrasting color fills and highlights the area between the two lines. The (X, Y[0]) values of the group dataset represent the first of the bounding lines, and the (X,Y[1]) values of the group dataset represent the second of the bounding lines.

## LineGapPlot constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As GroupDataset, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)
[C#]
public LineGapPlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   GroupDataset dataset,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

*transform*              The coordinate system for the new **LineGapPlot** object.

*dataset*                The line gap plot represents the values in this group dataset.  The number of groups in this group dataset must be two.

*attrib*                 Specifies the attributes (line and fill color) for the fill area.

A segment between adjacent x-values in the line gap plot object can have unique attributes. Use the objects **SetSegmentAttributesMode** and **SetSegmentAttributes** methods in the manner described for **SimplePlot** objects..

**Line gap bar plot example (extracted from the example program MiscCharts, class LineGapChart)**

[C#]

```
int nNumPnts = 5, nNumGroups = 2;
ChartCalendar []xValues=  new ChartCalendar[nNumPnts];
double [,]groupBarData = new double[nNumGroups,nNumPnts];

theFont = new Font("SansSerif", 10,  FontStyle.Bold);
xValues[0] = new ChartCalendar(1998, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1);
```

```
groupBarData[0,0] = 43;  groupBarData[1,0] = 71;

xValues[1] = new ChartCalendar(1999, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1);
groupBarData[0,1] = 40;  groupBarData[1,1] = 81;

xValues[2] = new ChartCalendar(2000, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1);
groupBarData[0,2] = 54;  groupBarData[1,2] = 48;

xValues[3] = new ChartCalendar(2001, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1);
groupBarData[0,3] = 56;  groupBarData[1,3] = 44;

xValues[4] = new ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1);
groupBarData[0,4] = 58;  groupBarData[1,4] = 40;

TimeGroupDataset Dataset1 =
        new TimeGroupDataset("GroupTimeData",xValues,groupBarData);

TimeCoordinates pTransform1 = new TimeCoordinates();
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1,ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR,  ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, .1, .95, 0.8) ;
Background background = new Background( pTransform1, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND,
Color.FromArgb(0,120,70), Color.FromArgb(0,40,30), ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(background);
.
.  // Define axes, axes labels and grids
.
ChartAttribute attrib1 =
        new ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Red);
attrib1.SetFillFlag(true);
attrib1.SetLineFlag(false);
LineGapPlot thePlot1 = new LineGapPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, attrib1);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

## [Visual Basic]

```
Dim nNumPnts As Integer = 5
Dim nNumGroups As Integer = 2
Dim xValues(nNumPnts - 1) As ChartCalendar
Dim groupBarData(nNumGroups - 1, nNumPnts - 1) As Double

theFont = New Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Bold)
xValues(0) = New ChartCalendar(1998, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1)
groupBarData(0, 0) = 43
groupBarData(1, 0) = 71

xValues(1) = New ChartCalendar(1999, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1)
groupBarData(0, 1) = 40
groupBarData(1, 1) = 81

xValues(2) = New ChartCalendar(2000, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1)
groupBarData(0, 2) = 54
groupBarData(1, 2) = 48

xValues(3) = New ChartCalendar(2001, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1)
groupBarData(0, 3) = 56
groupBarData(1, 3) = 44

xValues(4) = New ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1)
groupBarData(0, 4) = 58
groupBarData(1, 4) = 40
Dim Dataset1 As New TimeGroupDataset("GroupTimeData", xValues, groupBarData)
Dim pTransform1 As New TimeCoordinates()
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, 0.1, 0.95, 0.8)
Dim background As New Background(pTransform1, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND, _
        Color.FromArgb(0, 120, 70), Color.FromArgb(0, 40, 30), ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(background)
.
```

```
.   ' Define axes, axes labels and grids
.
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Red)
attrib1.SetFillFlag(True)
attrib1.SetLineFlag(False)
Dim thePlot1 As New LineGapPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, attrib1)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

# Multi-Line Plots

## Class MultiLinePlot
## GraphObj
```
        |
     +--ChartPlot
           |
        +--GroupPlot
              |
           +-- MultiLinePlot
```
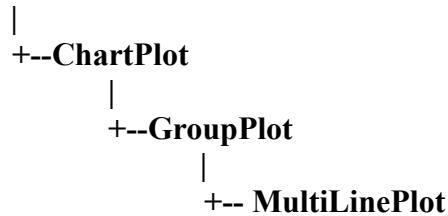
The **MultiLinePlot** class extends the **GroupPlot** class and displays group data in multi-line format. A group dataset with eight groups will display eight separate line plots. The y-values for each group of the dataset are the y-values for each line in the plot. Each line plot share the same x-values of the group dataset.

### MultiLinePlot constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As GroupDataset, _
   ByVal attribs As ChartAttribute() _
)
[C#]
public MultiLinePlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   GroupDataset dataset,
   ChartAttribute[] attribs
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **MultiLinePlot** object. |
| *dataset* | The multi-line plot represents the values in this group dataset. |
| *attribs* | An array of **ChartAttribute** objects, sized the same as the number of groups in the dataset,t specify the attributes (line color and line style) for each group of the multi-line plot. |

The attributes for each group can set or modified using the SetSegment… methods, where the segment number parameter cooresponds to the group number. These methods

include SetSegmentAttributes, SetSegmentFillColor, SetSegmentLineColor, and SetSegmentColor.

## Multi-line plot example (extracted from the example program MultiLinePlots, class MultiLine)

[C#]

```csharp
int  numPoints = 100;
int numGroups = 7;
double []x1 = new double[numPoints];
double [,]y1 = new double[numGroups,numPoints];
int i, j;

for (i=0; i < numPoints; i++)
{
    x1[i] =  (double)i * 0.2;
    for (j = 0; j < numGroups; j++)
    y1[j,i] = j * (i * 0.01) + (double)(j+1) * 5.0 * (1.0 - Math.Exp(-x1[i]/0.7));
}
GroupDataset Dataset1 = new GroupDataset("First",x1,y1);

CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE);
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);

pTransform1.SetScaleStartX(0);
pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(0);

Background background = new Background( pTransform1, ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND,
               Color.FromArgb(255,255,255));
chartVu.AddChartObject(background);
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, .15, .90, 0.70) ;
.
.       // Define axes, axes labels and grids
.
ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Blue, 3,DashStyle.Solid);
ChartAttribute []attribArray = new ChartAttribute[numGroups];
for (i=0; i < numGroups; i++)
    attribArray[i] = (ChartAttribute) attrib1.Clone();
MultiLinePlot thePlot1 = new MultiLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1,  attribArray);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```vb
Dim numPoints As Integer = 100
Dim numGroups As Integer = 7
Dim x1(numPoints-1) As Double
Dim y1(numGroups-1, numPoints-1) As Double
Dim i, j As Integer

For i = 0 To numPoints - 1
  x1(i) = CDbl(i) * 0.2
  For j = 0 To numGroups - 1
      y1(j, i) = j * (i * 0.01) + _
          CDbl(j + 1) * 5.0 * (1.0 - Math.Exp((-x1(i) / 0.7)))
  Next j
Next i
```

```
y1(0, 5) = ChartObj.rBadDataValue
y1(3, 15) = ChartObj.rBadDataValue
theFont = New Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Bold)
Dim Dataset1 As New GroupDataset("First", x1, y1)

Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, _
        ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
pTransform1.SetScaleStartX(0)
pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(0)

Dim background As New Background(pTransform1, ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, _
        Color.FromArgb(255, 255, 255))
chartVu.AddChartObject(background)
.
.        ' Define axes, axes labels and grids
.

Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 3, DashStyle.Solid)
Dim attribArray(numGroups) As ChartAttribute
For i = 0 To numGroups - 1
   attribArray(i) = attrib1.Clone()
Next i
Dim thePlot1 As New MultiLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, attribArray)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

# Open-High-Low-Close Plots

## Class OHLCPlot

**GraphObj**
      |
    **+--ChartPlot**
          |
        **+--GroupPlot**
              |
            **+-- OHLCPlot**
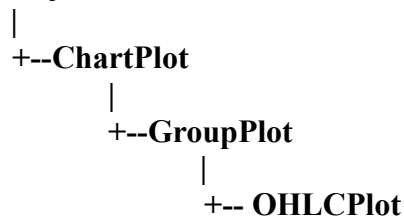
The **OHLCPlot** class extends the **GroupPlot** class and displays stock market data in an open-high-low-close format common in financial technical analysis. Every item of the plot is a vertical line, representing High and Low values, with two small horizontal "flags", one left and one right extending from the vertical High-Low line and representing the Open and Close values. The number of groups must be four. The Y[0] values of the group dataset represent the values for Open, the Y[1] values for High, the Y[2] values for Low, and the Y[3] values for Close.

### OHLCPlot constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As GroupDataset, _
   ByVal rflagwidth As Double, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)
```

```
[C#]
public OHLCPlot(
    PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    GroupDataset dataset,
    double rflagwidth,
    ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

*transform*          The coordinate system for the new **OHLCPlot** object.

*dataset*            The **OHLCPlot** plot will represent the group open-high-low-close
                     values in this group dataset. The number of groups must be four.
                     The Y[0] values of the group dataset represent the values for Open,
                     the Y[1] values for High, the Y[2] values for Low, and the Y[3]
                     values for Close.

*rflagwidth*         The width of the open and close markers in units of the
                     independent axis.

*attrib*             Specifies the attributes (line color and line style) for the open-high-
                     low-close plot.

An individual OHLC element in an OHLC plot object can have unique attributes. Use the
objects **SetSegmentAttributesMode** and **SetSegmentAttributes** methods in the manner
described for **SimplePlot** objects.

**OHLC plot example (extracted from the example program FinancialExamples, class
OHLCChart)**

[C#]

```
TimeGroupDataset Dataset1 =
        new TimeGroupDataset("Stock Data",xValues,
                              stockPriceData);
TimeCoordinates pTransform1 = new TimeCoordinates();
pTransform1.SetWeekType (ChartObj.WEEK_5D);
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR,
                              ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR);.
.
.       // Define axes, axes labels and grids
.
ChartAttribute attrib1 =
      new ChartAttribute(Color.Red, 1,ChartObj.DashStyle.Solid., Color.Red);
attrib1.SetFillFlag(true);
OHLCPlot thePlot1 = new OHLCPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1,
              ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.DAY_OF_YEAR,0.75),
              attrib1);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim Dataset1 As New TimeGroupDataset("Stock Data", xValues, stockPriceData)
```

```
pTransform1 = New TimeCoordinates()
pTransform1.SetWeekType(weekmode)
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR)
.
.        ' Define axes, axes labels and grids
.

Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Red, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Red)
attrib1.SetFillFlag(True)
 thePlot1 = New OHLCPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, _
            ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.DAY_OF_YEAR, 0.75), _
            attrib1)
thePlot1.SetFastClipMode(ChartObj.FASTCLIP_X)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

\* Note how the **ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue** method calculates the width of the bars as a function of time, in this case a width of 0.75 days.

# Stacked Bar Plots

## Class StackedBarPlot
## GraphObj
```
        |
     +--ChartPlot
             |
          +--GroupPlot
                  |
               +--StackedBarPlot
```
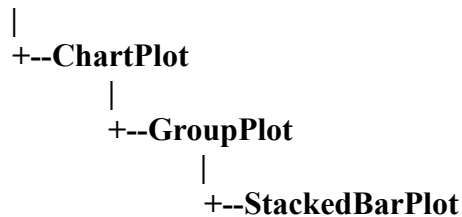
The **StackedBarPlot** class extends the **GroupPlot** class and displays data in stacked bar format. In a stacked bar plot each group is stacked on top of one another, each group bar a cumulative sum of the related group items before it.

### StackedBarPlot constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As GroupDataset, _
   ByVal rbarwidth As Double, _
   ByVal rbarbase As Double, _
   ByVal attribs As ChartAttribute(), _
   ByVal nbarjust As Integer _
)
[C#]
public StackedBarPlot(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   GroupDataset dataset,
   double rbarwidth,
   double rbarbase,
   ChartAttribute[] attribs,
```

```
    int nbarjust
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **StackedBarPlot** object. |
| *dataset* | The stacked bar graph represents the values in this group dataset. |
| *rbarwidth* | The width of the stacked bars in units of the independent axis. |
| *rbarbase* | The stacked bars start at the value *rbarbase*, and extend to the group bar values represented by the dataset. |
| *attribs* | An array of **ChartAttribute** objects, sized the same as the number of groups in the dataset, that specify the attributes (outline color and fill color) for each group of a stacked bar graph. |
| *nbarjust* | The stacked bars are justified with respect to the x-values in the dataset using the *rbarjust* justification value (JUSTIFY_MIN, JUSTIFY_CENTER, or JUSTIFY_MAX). |

Each stacked bar can be labeled with the group value bar using the bar data point methods, see the example below.

The attributes for each group can set or modified using the SetSegment… methods, where the segment number parameter cooresponds to the group number. These methods include SetSegmentAttributes, SetSegmentFillColor, SetSegmentLineColor, and SetSegmentColor.

**Stacked bar plot example (extracted from the example program Bargraphs, class GroupBargraphs)**

[C#]

```
TimeCoordinates pTransform2 = new TimeCoordinates();
// User same dataset as Group bar plot, set stacked mode flag
Dataset1.SetStackMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_STACKED);
pTransform2.AutoScale(Dataset1,ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR,  ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR);

pTransform2.SetTimeScaleStart(new ChartCalendar(1997,ChartObj.JANUARY,1));
pTransform2.SetTimeScaleStop(new ChartCalendar(2003,ChartObj.JANUARY,1));
pTransform2.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.55, .1, .95, 0.75) ;

pTransform2.SetScaleStartY(0);
.
.   // Define axes, axes labels, and grids
.
StackedBarPlot thePlot2 =
          new StackedBarPlot(pTransform2, Dataset1,
```

```
            ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.YEAR,0.75), 0.0,
            attribArray, ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER);
NumericLabel bardatavalue = thePlot2.GetPlotLabelTemplate();
bardatavalue.SetTextFont(theFont);
bardatavalue.SetNumericFormat(ChartObj.CURRENCYFORMAT);
bardatavalue.SetDecimalPos(1);
bardatavalue.SetColor(Color.Black);
thePlot2.SetPlotLabelTemplate(bardatavalue);
thePlot2.SetBarDatapointLabelPosition(ChartObj.CENTERED_BAR);
thePlot2.SetShowDatapointValue(true);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot2);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
' Stacked Bar Graph
Dim pTransform2 As New TimeCoordinates()
' User same dataset as Group bar plot, set stacked mode flag
Dataset1.SetStackMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_STACKED)
pTransform2.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR)
pTransform2.SetTimeScaleStart(New ChartCalendar(1997, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1))
pTransform2.SetTimeScaleStop(New ChartCalendar(2003, ChartObj.JANUARY, 1))

pTransform2.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.55, 0.1, 0.95, 0.75)

pTransform2.SetScaleStartY(0)
.
.    ' Define axes, axes labels, and grids
.
Dim thePlot2 As New StackedBarPlot(pTransform2, Dataset1, _
            ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.YEAR, 0.75), 0.0, _
            attribArray, ChartObj.JUSTIFY_CENTER)
Dim bardatavalue As NumericLabel = thePlot2.GetPlotLabelTemplate()
bardatavalue.SetTextFont(theFont)
bardatavalue.SetNumericFormat(ChartObj.CURRENCYFORMAT)
bardatavalue.SetDecimalPos(1)
bardatavalue.SetColor(Color.Black)
thePlot2.SetPlotLabelTemplate(bardatavalue)
thePlot2.SetBarDatapointLabelPosition(ChartObj.CENTERED_BAR)
thePlot2.SetShowDatapointValue(True)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot2)
```

# Stacked Line Plots

## Class StackedLinePlot

**GraphObj**
```
      |
    +--ChartPlot
          |
        +--GroupPlot
              |
            +--StackedLinePlot
```
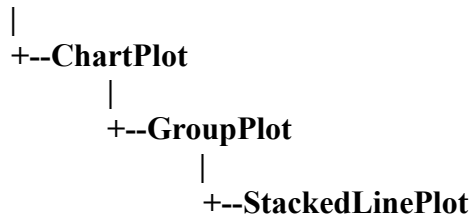
The **StackedLinePlot** class extends the **GroupPlot** class and displays data in stacked line format. In a stacked line plot each group is stacked on top of one another, each group line a cumulative sum of the groups before it.

### StackedLinePlot constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
    ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
    ByVal dataset As GroupDataset, _
    ByVal attribs As ChartAttribute() _
)
[C#]
public StackedLinePlot(
    PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    GroupDataset dataset,
    ChartAttribute[] attribs
);
```

*transform*            The coordinate system for the new **StackedLinePlot** object.

*dataset*              The stacked line plot represents the values in this group dataset.

*attribs*              An array of **ChartAttribute** objects, sized the same as the number of groups in the dataset specify the attributes (line color and line style) for each group of the stacked line graph.

The attributes for each group can set or modified using the SetSegment… methods, where the segment number parameter cooresponds to the group number. These methods include SetSegmentAttributes, SetSegmentFillColor, SetSegmentLineColor, and SetSegmentColor.

**Stacked line plot example (extracted from the example program MultiLinePlots, class StackedLines)**

[C#]

```
int  numPoints = 100;
int numGroups = 7;
double []x1 = new double[numPoints];
double [,]y1 = new double[numGroups,numPoints];
.
.  // Initialize data
.
theFont = new Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Bold);

GroupDataset Dataset1 = new GroupDataset("First",x1,y1);
Dataset1.SetStackMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_STACKED);
CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE);
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
pTransform1.SetScaleStartX(0);
pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(0);

Background background = new Background( pTransform1, ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND,
            Color.FromArgb(255,255,255));
chartVu.AddChartObject(background);

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, .15, .90, 0.75) ;
```

```
.
. // Define axes, axes labels and grids
.

ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Blue, 1,DashStyle.Solid);
attrib1.SetFillFlag(true);
attrib1.SetLineFlag(false);
ChartAttribute []attribArray = new ChartAttribute[numGroups];
for (i=0; i < numGroups; i++)
    attribArray[i] = (ChartAttribute) attrib1.Clone();
attribArray[0].SetFillColor(Color.Blue);
attribArray[1].SetFillColor(Color.Yellow);
attribArray[2].SetFillColor(Color.Magenta);
attribArray[3].SetFillColor(Color.Orange);
attribArray[4].SetFillColor(Color.Gray);
attribArray[5].SetFillColor(Color.Red);
attribArray[6].SetFillColor(Color.Green);
StackedLinePlot thePlot1 =
        new StackedLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1,  attribArray);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim numPoints As Integer = 100
Dim numGroups As Integer = 7
Dim x1(numPoints-1) As Double
Dim y1(numGroups-1, numPoints-1) As Double
.
.  ' Initialize data
.
theFont = New Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Bold)
Dim Dataset1 As New GroupDataset("First", x1, y1)
Dataset1.SetStackMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_STACKED)
Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, _
        ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
pTransform1.SetScaleStartX(0)
pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(0)

Dim background As New Background(pTransform1, ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, _
        Color.FromArgb(255, 255, 255))
chartVu.AddChartObject(background)

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, 0.15, 0.9, 0.75)
.
. ' Define axes, axes labels and grids
.
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 1, DashStyle.Solid)
attrib1.SetFillFlag(True)
attrib1.SetLineFlag(False)
Dim attribArray(numGroups) As ChartAttribute
For i = 0 To numGroups - 1
   attribArray(i) = attrib1.Clone()
Next i
attribArray(0).SetFillColor(Color.Blue)
attribArray(1).SetFillColor(Color.Yellow)
attribArray(2).SetFillColor(Color.Magenta)
attribArray(3).SetFillColor(Color.Orange)
attribArray(4).SetFillColor(Color.Gray)
attribArray(5).SetFillColor(Color.Red)
attribArray(6).SetFillColor(Color.Green)

Dim thePlot1 As New StackedLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, attribArray)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

# 12. Contour Plotting

**ChartPlot**
>    **ContourPlot**

The **ContourPlot** class displays contour data organized in a **ContourDataset**.dataset. The line contour graph draws contituous lines through the data at xy-values representing equal values of z, analogous to the equal pressure lines (isobars) of a weather map. A filled contor graph fills the area between two contour levels with a specific color.

# Line and Filled Contour Plots

## Class ContourPlot
## GraphObj
```
    |
  +--ChartPlot
        |
        +--ContourPlot
```

The **ContourPlot** class is a concrete implementation of the **ChartPlot** class and displays a contour plot using either lines, or regions filled with color. The two constructors below differ only by the inclusion of the contour line flags and the contour label flags in the second constructor.

### ContourPlot constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As ContourDataset, _
   ByVal contourlevels As Double(), _
   ByVal attribs As ChartAttribute(), _
   ByVal numcontourlevels As Integer, _
   ByVal contourtype As Integer _
)
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As ContourDataset, _
   ByVal contourlevels As Double(), _
   ByVal attribs As ChartAttribute(), _
   ByVal blineflags As Boolean(), _
   ByVal blabelflags As Boolean(), _
   ByVal numcontourlevels As Integer, _
   ByVal contourtype As Integer _
)
```

```
[C#]
public ContourPlot(
    PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    ContourDataset dataset,
    double[] contourlevels,
    ChartAttribute[] attribs,
    int numcontourlevels,
    int contourtype
);
public ContourPlot(
    PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    ContourDataset dataset,
    double[] contourlevels,
    ChartAttribute[] attribs,
    bool[] blineflags,
    bool[] blabelflags,
    int numcontourlevels,
    int contourtype
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **ContourPlot** object. |
| *dataset* | The **ContourDataset** plot will represent the xyz values in this contour data set. |
| *contourlevels* | An array, size [numcontourlevels], of the contour levels used in the contour plot. |
| *attribs* | An array of color and fill attributes, size [numcontourlevels+1]. If the *contourtype* is CONTOUR_LINE, the colors of elements 0..*numcontourlevels*-1 set the colors of the contour lines. If the contourtype is CONTOUR_FILL, elements 0..*numcontourlevels* set the colors of the contour regions. |
| *blineflags* | An array, size [numcontourlevels], of boolean flags specifying whether a contour line should be displayed. |
| *blabelflags* | An array, size [numcontourlevels], of boolean flags specifying whether a contour line should be labeled with the numeric value of the associated contour level. |
| *numcontourlevels* | The number of contour levels. |
| *contourtype* | Specifies if the contour plot uses contour lines (CONTOUR_LINE), filled contour regions (CONTOUR_FILL) or both (CONTOUR_LINEANDFILL).. |

Contour plots that use the CONTOUR_FILL algorithm require one more color than the CONTOUR_LINE algorithm.

The attributes for each contour line can set or modified using the SetSegment… methods, where the segment number parameter cooresponds to the contour value index.. These

methods include SetSegmentAttributes, SetSegmentFillColor, SetSegmentLineColor, and SetSegmentColor.

## Contour line plot example (extracted from the example program ContourPlots, class ContourLinePlot)

[C#]

```
double []contourlevels = { 1000, 1200, 1400, 1600, 1800,
                            1900, 2000, 2100, 2200, 2400, 2600, 2800, 3000};
chartVu = this;
int i;
theFont = new Font("SansSerif", 10,  FontStyle.Bold);
chartVu = this;

CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 = new CartesianCoordinates(-7, -7, 7, 7);

CreateRegularGridPolysurface();
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.10, .10, .85, 0.85) ;
Background background =
        new Background( pTransform1, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND, Color.White);
chartVu.AddChartObject(background);

ChartText checkBoxCaption =
    new ChartText(pTransform1, theFont,"Contour Level", 560, 35, ChartObj.DEV_POS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(checkBoxCaption);

LinearAxis xAxis = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.X_AXIS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);
LinearAxis yAxis = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis);
NumericAxisLabels xAxisLab = new NumericAxisLabels(xAxis );
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab);
NumericAxisLabels yAxisLab = new NumericAxisLabels(yAxis);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab);
Grid xgrid = new Grid(xAxis, yAxis,ChartObj.X_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR);
chartVu.AddChartObject(xgrid);

Grid ygrid = new Grid(xAxis, yAxis,ChartObj.Y_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR);
chartVu.AddChartObject(ygrid);

ChartAttribute []attribs = new ChartAttribute[numcontourlevels+1];
for (i=0; i <= numcontourlevels; i++)
{
    Color color =  Color.FromArgb((int) (255* ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()),
                    (int) (255 * ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()), (int) (255 *
    ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()));
    attribs[i] = new ChartAttribute(color,2,DashStyle.Solid,color);
    attribs[i].SetFillFlag(true);
}
attribs[0].SetColor(Color.Black);
attribs[1].SetColor(Color.Blue);
attribs[2].SetColor(Color.DarkGray);
attribs[3].SetColor(Color.Green);
attribs[4].SetColor(Color.Red);
attribs[5].SetColor(Color.Cyan);
attribs[6].SetColor(Color.Magenta);
attribs[7].SetColor(Color.Orange);
attribs[8].SetColor(Color.Yellow);

for (i=0; i < numcontourlevels; i++)
{
```

```
    if ((i % 3) == 0)
        lineflags[i] = true;
     else
        lineflags[i] = false;
     if ((i % 3) == 0)
        labelflags[i] = true;
     else
        labelflags[i] = false;
}

thePlot1 = new ContourPlot(pTransform1, dataset1, contourlevels, attribs,
                    lineflags, labelflags, numcontourlevels, ChartObj.CONTOUR_LINE);
thePlot1.SetPolygonGridOn(true);
thePlot1.SetContourLineAlgorithm(ChartObj.CONTOUR_LINEWALK);
NumericLabel contourlabel = thePlot1.GetPlotLabelTemplate();
Font contourLabelFont = new Font("SansSerif", 8, FontStyle.Regular);
contourlabel.SetDecimalPos(0);
contourlabel.SetTextFont(contourLabelFont);
contourlabel.TextBgMode = true;
contourlabel.TextBgColor = Color.White;
thePlot1.SetPlotLabelTemplate(contourlabel);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim contourlevels As Double() = _
    {1000, 1200, 1400, 1600, 1800, 1900, 2000, 2100, 2200, 2400, 2600, 2800, 3000}
Dim theFont As Font
chartVu = Me
Dim i As Integer
theFont = New Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Bold)
Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(-7, -7, 7, 7)

CreateRegularGridPolysurface()
'   CreateRandomGridPolysurface()
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, 0.1, 0.85, 0.85)
Dim background As New Background(pTransform1, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND, _
     color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(background)

Dim checkBoxCaption As New ChartText(pTransform1, theFont, "Contour Level", _
        560, 35, ChartObj.DEV_POS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(checkBoxCaption)

Dim xAxis As New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.X_AXIS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)

Dim yAxis As New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis)

Dim xAxisLab As New NumericAxisLabels(xAxis)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab)

Dim yAxisLab As New NumericAxisLabels(yAxis)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab)

Dim xgrid As New Grid(xAxis, yAxis, ChartObj.X_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xgrid)

Dim ygrid As New Grid(xAxis, yAxis, ChartObj.Y_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR)
chartVu.AddChartObject(ygrid)

Dim attribs(numcontourlevels) As ChartAttribute
For i = 0 To numcontourlevels
    Dim color As Color = color.FromArgb(CInt(255 * _
            ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()), _
```

```vbnet
                CInt(255 * ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()), _
                CInt(255 * ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()))
        attribs(i) = New ChartAttribute(color, 2, DashStyle.Solid, color)
        attribs(i).SetFillFlag(True)
    Next i
    attribs(0).SetColor(color.Black)
    attribs(1).SetColor(color.Blue)
    attribs(2).SetColor(color.DarkGray)
    attribs(3).SetColor(color.Green)
    attribs(4).SetColor(color.Red)
    attribs(5).SetColor(color.Cyan)
    attribs(6).SetColor(color.Magenta)
    attribs(7).SetColor(color.Orange)
    attribs(8).SetColor(color.Yellow)

    For i = 0 To numcontourlevels - 1
      If i Mod 3 = 0 Then
        lineflags(i) = True
      Else
        lineflags(i) = False
      End If
      If i Mod 3 = 0 Then
         labelflags(i) = True
      Else
        labelflags(i) = False
       End If
    Next i
    thePlot1 = New ContourPlot(pTransform1, dataset1, contourlevels, _
            attribs, lineflags, labelflags, numcontourlevels, ChartObj.CONTOUR_LINE)
    thePlot1.SetPolygonGridOn(True)
    thePlot1.SetContourLineAlgorithm(ChartObj.CONTOUR_LINEWALK)
    Dim contourlabel As NumericLabel = thePlot1.GetPlotLabelTemplate()
    Dim contourLabelFont As New Font("SansSerif", 8, FontStyle.Regular)
    contourlabel.SetDecimalPos(0)
    contourlabel.SetTextFont(contourLabelFont)
    contourlabel.TextBgMode = True
    contourlabel.TextBgColor = color.White
    thePlot1.SetPlotLabelTemplate(contourlabel)
    chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

# 13. Data Markers and Data Cursors

**Marker**
  **DataCursor**

Data markers are symbols and lines that can be "dropped" on to the data presented in a graph, much like a bookmark in a word processing document. Place the markers in a chart under program control or in response to a mouse event in the graph window.

Data cursors are temporary lines or symbols, drawn using the XOR drawing mode, that are used to help position the mouse cursor over the desired section of a graph. Standard data cursors include cross hairs, a box, and horizontal and/or vertical lines.

## Data Markers

### Class Marker
### GraphObj
```
     |
     +--Marker
```

Create data markers using the **Marker** class. The constructor below creates a new **Marker** object using the specified coordinate system, marker type, marker position and marker size.

### Marker constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal nmarkertype As Integer, _
   ByVal x As Double, _
   ByVal y As Double, _
   ByVal rsize As Double, _
   ByVal npostype As Integer _
)
[C#]
public Marker(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   int nmarkertype,
   double x,
   double y,
   double rsize,
   int npostype
);
```

| *transform* | Places the marker in the coordinate system defined by transform. |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|---|
| *nmarkertype* | Specifies the shape of the current chart marker. Use one of the chart marker constants:  MARKER_NULL, MARKER_VLINE, MARKER_HLINE, MARKER_CROSS, MARKER_BOX or MARKER_HVLINE. |
| *x* | Specifies the x-value of the marker position |
| *y* | Specifies the y-value of the marker position |
| *rsize* | Specifies the size of the cross hair marker (MARKER_CROSS) and the box marker (MARKER_BOX) in .Net device coordinates. |
| *npostype* | Specifies the if the position of the marker is specified in physical coordinates, normalized coordinates or .Net device coordinates.  Use one of the position constants: DEV_POS, PHYS_POS, NORM_GRAPH_POS,  NORM_PLOT_POS. |

The marker constants signify:

| | |
|---|---|
| MARKER_NULL | An invisible marker |
| MARKER_VLINE | The marker is a vertical line extending from the top of the plot area to the bottom, passing through the x-value of the marker position. |
| MARKER_HLINE | The marker is a horizontal line extending from the left of the plot area to the right, passing through the y-value of the marker position. |
| MARKER_HVLINE | The marker combines both MARKER_VLINE and MARKER_HLINE, marking the data point with horizontal and vertical lines. |
| MARKER_CROSS | The marker is a cross hair centered on the marker position. Set the size of the cross hair using .Net device coordinates, in the object constructor, or later using the **setMarkerSize** method. |
| MARKER_BOX | The marker is a box centered on the marker position. Set the size of the box using .Net device coordinates, in the object constructor, or later using the **setMarkerSize** method. |

Drop a marker anywhere on a plot by specifying the coordinates. The example below places a 10 pixel wide marker in the center of the plot area.

**Simple marker example**

[C#]

```
CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 10.0, 20.0);
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1,  ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
.
.
.
double xpos = 5.0;
double ypos = 10.0;
Marker amarker = new Marker(pTransform1, ChartObj.MARKER_BOX, xpos, ypos,
                    10, ChartObj.PHYS_POS);
theChartView.AddChartObject(amarker);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim pTransform1 As CartesianCoordinates = _
        New CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 10.0, 20.0)
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1,  ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
.
.
.
Dim xpos As Double = 5.0
Dim ypos As Double = 10.0
Dim amarker As Marker = New Marker(pTransform1, ChartObj.MARKER_BOX, _
            xpos, ypos,  10, ChartObj.PHYS_POS)
theChartView.AddChartObject(amarker)
```

# Data Cursors

## Class DataCursor
## GraphObj
```
     |
  +--Marker
         |
         +-- DataCursor
```
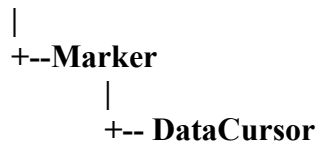
Data cursors are an extension of the marker class.  Data cursors combine the .Net mouse event delegates with the **Marker** class, creating a marker that tracks the mouse and

updates dynamically using an XOR drawing mode. This constructor creates a new **DataCursor** object using the specified coordinate system, marker type and marker size.

### DataCursor constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView, _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal nmarkertype As Integer, _
   ByVal rsize As Double _
)
[C#]
public DataCursor(
   ChartView component,
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   int nmarkertype,
   double rsize
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *component* | A reference to the **ChartView** object that the chart is placed in. |
| *transform* | The **PhysicalCoordinates** object associated with the data cursor. |
| *nmarkdertype* | The marker type. Use one of the **Marker** marker type constants: MARKER_VLINE .. MARKER_ BOX. |
| *rsize* | The size in .Net device coordinates of the MARKER_BOX and MARKER_CROSS style cursors. |

See the **Marker** constructor description for more information about the **Marker** type constants.

Create the **DataCursor** object and then install it using the **ChartView.SetCurrentMouseListener** method. This adds the **DataCursor** object as a **MouseListener** to the **ChartView** object. Enable/Disable the function using **DataCursor.SetEnable** method. Call **DataCursor.SetCurrentMouseListener**(null) to remove the object as a mouse listener for the chart view.

Since the **DataCursor** class implements mouse event delegates, it has methods implementing the mouse events OnMouseMove, OnDoubleClick, OnClick, OnMouseDown, and OnMouseUp. The default usage of the **DataCursor** class creates the data marker when the mouse is pressed. As long as the mouse is pressed, the data cursor tracks the mouse position. Release the mouse button and the marker disappears. When using data markers it is often desirable to do additional things during the mouse events. In

this case, you derive a new class from **DataCursor**, override the mouse events that you want to intercept, and add your own code to these events. Make sure you call the parents version of the same mouse event function so that the data cursor continues to track the mouse.

**Simple data cursor example (Adapted from the DataCursorView and CustomChartDataCursor classes)**

[C#]

```csharp
public class CustomChartDataCursor extends DataCursor {
// Create your own custom constructor and call the parent constructor

public CustomChartDataCursor(ChartView achartview,
             CartesianCoordinates thetransform,
             int nmarkertype,
              double rsize): base(achartview, thetransform, nmarkertype, rsize)
  {

  }

 // The mouse Released event should look like this
  public void OnMouseUp (MouseEvent event)
  {
     base.MouseReleased(mouseevent);
     // Add your own code here
  }
}
.
.
.

CustomChartDataCursor dataCursorObj =
    new CustomChartDataCursor( chartVu, pTransform1, ChartObj.MARKER_HVLINE, 8.0);
dataCursorObj.SetEnable(true);
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(dataCursorObj);
```

[Visual Basic]

```vbnet
Public Class CustomChartDataCursor Inherits DataCursor
   Public Sub New(ByVal achartview As ChartView, _
            ByVal thetransform As CartesianCoordinates, _
            ByVal nmarkertype As Integer, ByVal rsize As Double)
           MyBase.New(achartview, thetransform, nmarkertype, rsize)
   End Sub 'New

   Public Overrides Sub OnMouseUp(ByVal mouseevent As MouseEventArgs)
      MyBase.OnMouseUp(mouseevent)
       ' Add your own code here
```

```
    End Sub 'OnMouseUp
End Class 'CustomChartDataCursor
.
.
.
Dim dataCursorObj As New _
        CustomChartDataCursor(chartVu, pTransform1,  ChartObj.MARKER_HVLINE, 8.0)
dataCursorObj.SetEnable(True)
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(dataCursorObj)
```

A marker can be placed at any xy coordinate location in a graph. It is often desirable to place a marker at the exact location of a data point in one of the datasets plotted in the graph. Many applications require the user to click on the approximate location of a point, and then the software must find the data point nearest that click and mark it. The **DataCursor** and **Marker** classes, in combination with the plot objects CalcNearestPoint methods, accomplish this. The **DataCursor** class positions the mouse cursor and retrieves the initial xy coordinates. The CalcNearestPoint method for each plot object (**SimpleLinePlot**, **ScatterPlot**, etc.) in the graph determines the nearest data point to the mouse cursor for that object. Once all the plot objects are checked the data point nearest the mouse cursor position is marked by placing a **Marker** object at that exact xy location.

The example below extends the previous **Marker** and **DataCursor** examples. In this example, the OnMouseUp event of the subclassed **DataCursor** object processes the plot objects looking for the nearest point, and then places a **Marker** object and a numeric label at that point.

**Marking a data point (Adapted from the DataCursorView and CustomChartDataCursor classes)**

[C#]

```
public class CustomChartDataCursor: DataCursor
{
    NumericLabel pointLabel;
    Font textCoordsFont = new Font("SansSerif", 8, FontStyle.Regular);
    double rNumericLabelCntr = 0.0;
    SimpleLinePlot thePlot1;
    SimpleLinePlot thePlot2;

    public CustomChartDataCursor(ChartView achartview,
        CartesianCoordinates thetransform,
        SimpleLinePlot plot1,
        SimpleLinePlot plot2,
        int nmarkertype,
        double rsize): base(achartview, thetransform, nmarkertype, rsize)
    {
        thePlot1 = plot1;
        thePlot2 = plot2;
    }

    public override void MouseReleased (MouseEventArgs mouseevent)
    {
```

```
        NearestPointData nearestPointObj1 =  new NearestPointData();
        NearestPointData nearestPointObj2 =  new NearestPointData();
        Point2D nearestPoint = new Point2D(0,0);
        ChartView chartVu = GetChartObjComponent();
        bool bfound1 = false;
        bool bfound2 = false;

        base.MouseReleased(mouseevent);
        if ((mouseevent.Button & GetButtonMask()) != 0)
        {

            // Find nearest point for each line plot object
            Point2D location = GetLocation();
            bfound1 = thePlot1.CalcNearestPoint(location,
                    ChartObj.FNP_NORMDIST, nearestPointObj1);
            bfound2 = thePlot2.CalcNearestPoint(location,
                    ChartObj.FNP_NORMDIST, nearestPointObj2);

            if (bfound1 && bfound2)
            {
            // choose the nearest point
                if (nearestPointObj1.GetNearestPointMinDistance() <
                        nearestPointObj2.GetNearestPointMinDistance())
                    nearestPoint =  nearestPointObj1.GetNearestPoint();
                else
                    nearestPoint = nearestPointObj2.GetNearestPoint();
            // create marker object at place it at the nearest point
                Marker amarker =
                        new Marker(GetChartObjScale(), MARKER_BOX,
                        nearestPoint.GetX(),   nearestPoint.GetY(),
                        10.0, PHYS_POS);
                chartVu.AddChartObject(amarker);
                rNumericLabelCntr += 1.0;
            // Add a numeric label the identifies the marker
                pointLabel =
                        new NumericLabel(GetChartObjScale(),
                        textCoordsFont, rNumericLabelCntr,
                        nearestPoint.GetX(), nearestPoint.GetY(),
                        PHYS_POS, DECIMALFORMAT, 0);
        // Nudge text to the right and up so that it does not write over marker
                pointLabel.SetTextNudge(5,-5);
                chartVu.AddChartObject(pointLabel);
                chartVu.UpdateDraw();
                }
            }
        }
    }
```

## [Visual Basic]

```
Public Class CustomChartDataCursor
    Inherits DataCursor
    Private pointLabel As NumericLabel
    Private textCoordsFont As New Font("SansSerif", 8, FontStyle.Regular)
    Private rNumericLabelCntr As Double = 0.0
    Private cplot1 As SimpleLinePlot
    Private cplot2 As SimpleLinePlot

    Public Sub New(ByVal achartview As ChartView, _
                ByVal thetransform As CartesianCoordinates, _
                ByVal plot1 As SimpleLinePlot, _
                ByVal plot2 As SimpleLinePlot, _
                ByVal nmarkertype As Integer, _
                ByVal rsize As Double)
        MyBase.New(achartview, thetransform, nmarkertype, rsize)
        cplot1 = plot1
        cplot2 = plot2
    End Sub 'New
```

```
Public Overrides Sub OnMouseUp(ByVal mouseevent As MouseEventArgs)
    Dim nearestPointObj1 As New NearestPointData()
    Dim nearestPointObj2 As New NearestPointData()
    Dim nearestPoint As New Point2D(0, 0)
    Dim chartview As ChartView = GetChartObjComponent()
    Dim bfound1 As Boolean = False
    Dim bfound2 As Boolean = False

    MyBase.OnMouseUp(mouseevent)

    If (mouseevent.Button And GetButtonMask()) <> 0 Then
        ' Find nearest point for each line plot object
        Dim location As Point2D = GetLocation()
        bfound1 = cplot1.CalcNearestPoint(location, _
            ChartObj.FNP_NORMDIST, nearestPointObj1)
        bfound2 = cplot2.CalcNearestPoint(location, _
            ChartObj.FNP_NORMDIST, nearestPointObj2)
        If bfound1 And bfound2 Then
                ' choose the nearest point
        If nearestPointObj1.GetNearestPointMinDistance() < _
           nearestPointObj2.GetNearestPointMinDistance() Then
             nearestPoint = nearestPointObj1.GetNearestPoint()
        Else
           nearestPoint = nearestPointObj2.GetNearestPoint()
        End If
    ' create marker object at place it at the nearest point
      Dim amarker As New Marker(GetChartObjScale(), MARKER_BOX, _
            nearestPoint.GetX(), nearestPoint.GetY(), 10.0, PHYS_POS)
      chartview.AddChartObject(amarker)
      rNumericLabelCntr += 1.0
    ' Add a numeric label the identifies the marker
        pointLabel = New NumericLabel(GetChartObjScale(), textCoordsFont, _
                rNumericLabelCntr, nearestPoint.GetX(), nearestPoint.GetY(), _
                PHYS_POS, DECIMALFORMAT, 0)
        ' Nudge text to the right and up so that it does not write over marker
      pointLabel.SetTextNudge(5, -5)
      chartview.AddChartObject(pointLabel)
      chartview.UpdateDraw()
    End If
  End If
 End Sub 'OnMouseUp
End Class 'CustomChartDataCursor
```

Another common reason for locating a data point is to display information associated with that data point. A good example is stock market data. A typical stock market display is a one-month chart of daily closing values for one or more stocks. You want to be able to click on a point in the chart and have the open, high, low and closing value for that day displayed in a pop-up box. The example program OHLCFinPlot demonstrates how to use a **ChartText** object as a popup box to display this type of data. In another related example, the program **LabeledPieChart** shows how to trap a click on a specific pie slice and display additional data for that slice using a **ChartText** object.

# 14. Moving Chart Objects, Data Points and Coordinate Systems

**MoveObj**
**MoveData**
**MoveCoordinates**

Many of the subclasses of **GraphObj** are moveable using the mouse. This includes the axis, legend, text, image, shape classes. If you add the necessary support to your program, you can click and drag the object around in the chart. This may or not be desirable, since a user can ruin a carefully constructed chart by dragging objects around. It is just an option though, that you can add to the program.

It is also possible to select a single data point in a simple plot object (**SimpleLinePlot**, **SimpleBarPlot**, **SimpleLineMarkerPlot** and **SimpleScatterPlot**) and move it with a click and drag operation of the mouse. Again, it is an option that you can add to the program if you want.

Starting in Revision 2.0 we have added the capability of moving the coordinates system of a graph, using the **MoveCoordinates** class. The move operation is analogous to the way you can change the latitude and longitude of an internet map by clicking and dragging it.

## Moving Chart Objects

### Class MoveObj
**MouseListener**
```
        |
        +--MoveObj
```

The **MoveObj** mouse listener traps a mouse pressed event and then searches through all of the **GraphObj** derived objects in the view. A rectangle highlights the first object that meets the filter criteria and intersects the mouse cursor. Hold the mouse button down and the rectangle tracks the mouse. Release the mouse button and the position of the graph object updates to reflect the new physical coordinates of the bounding rectangle.

If no *objectfilter* parameter is specified, the default object filter is "GraphObj".

**MoveObject constructors**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView, _
   ByVal buttonmask As MouseButtons, _
   ByVal object1filter As String _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView, _
   ByVal buttonmask As MouseButtons _
)

[C#]
public MoveObj(
   ChartView component,
   MouseButtons buttonmask,
   string object1filter
);

public MoveObj(
   ChartView component,
   MouseButtons buttonmask
);
```

*component*  A reference to the **ChartView** object that the chart is placed in.

*buttonmask*  Specifies the mouse button that is trapped to invoke a move.

*objectfilter*  The fully qualified class name of the base class that is used to filter the desired class objects. The string "ChartText" causes the routine to move only objects derived from the **ChartText** class. If you want to move only specific objects of a given class, create a special subclass of that class. Then create your moveable objects using that subclass. Then specify your class name, i.e. **MyTextClass,** using the string "MyTextClass".

Create the **MoveObj** object and then install it using the **ChartView.SetCurrentMouseListener** method. This adds the **MoveObj** object as a **MouseListener** to the **ChartView** object. Enable/Disable the function using **MoveObj.SetEnable** method. Call **MoveObj.SetCurrentMouseListener**(null) to remove the object as a mouse listener for the chart view.

Not all **GraphObj** derived object are moveable. Call the **GraphObj.GetMoveableType** method and check to see if it returns **ChartObj.OBJECT_MOVEABLE**. Alternatively, you can call the **MoveObj.IsMoveableObject** method, passing in a reference to the object.

Most moveable objects move unrestricted in the x- and y direction. There are exceptions though. Axis objects move in the direction parallel to their current position, effectively changing the axis intercept, but not the extents of the axis endpoints. Axis labels always track their reference axis. The base axis defines the position of an **AxisTitle** text object and the chart view defines the position of a **ChartTitle** text object. Attemp to move these objects and they revert to their original centered positions. If you require moveable chart and axis titles, use the generic **ChartText** class instead of the title classes.

**Moving objects example (Adapted from the MoveObjects class)**

[C#]

```
ChartView chartVu = new ChartView();
CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 10.0, 20.0);
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1,  ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR,
                      ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
.
.
.
MoveObj mouselistener = new MoveObj(chartVu );
mouselistener.SetEnable(true);
mouselistener.SetMoveObjectFilter("GraphObj");
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(mouselistener);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()
Dim pTransform1 As CartesianCoordinates =
        New CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 10.0, 20.0)
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1,  ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, _
                      ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
.
.
.
Dim mouselistener As MoveObj = New MoveObj(chartVu )
mouselistener.SetEnable(True)
mouselistener.SetMoveObjectFilter("GraphObj")
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(mouselistener)
```

# Moving Simple Plot Object Data Points

## Class MoveData
## MouseListener
```
       |
       +--MoveData
```

The **MoveData** mouse listener traps a mouse pressed event and searches through all of the data points of the plot objects in the view. The data point closest to the mouse cursor location is compared against a threshold value, 10 device units, or pixels, by default. If the data point is within the threshold, and as long as the moue buttons is held down, it tracks the mouse. Release the mouse button and the data value associated with the selected data point updates to reflect the new physical coordinates of the data point, and the plot is redrawn. Since the algorithm searches through every data point of every plot object in the view, do not expect it to work particularly fast with millions or even thousands of data points. The practical number of data points that can be searched is obviously dependent on the speed of the host computer.

## MoveData constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView, _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal buttonmask As MouseButtons _
)

[C#]
public MoveData(
   ChartView component,
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   MouseButtons buttonmask
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *component* | A reference to the **ChartView** object that the chart is placed in. |
| *transform* | The **PhysicalCoordinates** object associated with the **MoveData** object. |
| *buttonmask* | Specifies the mouse button that is trapped to invoke a move. |

Create the **MoveData** object and then install it using the **ChartView.SetCurrentMouseListener** method. This adds the **MoveData** object as a **MouseListener** to the **ChartView** object. Enable/Disable the function using **MoveData.SetEnable** method. Call **MoveData.SetCurrentMouseListener**(null) to remove the object as a mouse listener for the chart view. Set the threshold distance for deciding if the nearest data point found is a "hit" using the **MoveData.SetHitTestThreshold** method.

**Moving datapoints example (See the class MoveDatapoint for a more complicated example)**

 [C#]

```
ChartView chartVu = new ChartView();
CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 10.0, 20.0);
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1,  ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR,
                        ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
.
.
MoveData mouselistener = new MoveData (chartVu, pTransform1 );
mouselistener.SetMarkerType( ChartObj.MARKER_CROSS);
mouselistener.SetMarkerSize(12);
mouselistener.SetMoveMode(ChartObj.MOVE_Y);
mouselistener.SetEnable(true);
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(mouselistener);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()
Dim pTransform1 As CartesianCoordinates = _
        New CartesianCoordinates( 0.0, 0.0, 10.0, 20.0)
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1,  ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, _
                        ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
.
.
.
Dim mouselistener As MoveData = New MoveData (chartVu, pTransform1 )
mouselistener.SetMarkerType( ChartObj.MARKER_CROSS)
mouselistener.SetMarkerSize(12)
mouselistener.SetMoveMode(ChartObj.MOVE_Y)
mouselistener.SetEnable(True)
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(mouselistener)
```

# Moving the Chart Coordinate System

## Class MoveCoordinates
**MouseListener**
```
      |
      +--DataCursor
             |
             +--MoveCoordinates
```
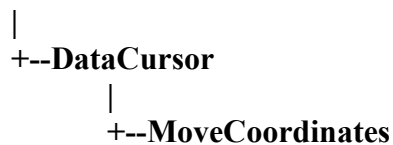
The **MoveCoordinates** mouse listener traps a mouse pressed event. While the mouse is button is held down, the underlying coordinate system will track the move movements.

Release the mouse button and the chart redraws one final time using the extents of the final coordinate system.

## MoveCoordinates constructors

```
Visual Basic (Declaration)
Public Sub New ( _
    component As ChartView, _
    transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
    buttonmask As MouseButtons _
)
C#
public MoveCoordinates(
    ChartView component,
    PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    MouseButtons buttonmask
)
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *component* | A reference to the **ChartView** object that the chart is placed in. |
| *transform* | The coordinate system underlying the chart. |
| *buttonmask* | Specifies the mouse button that is trapped to invoke a move. |

Create the **MoveCoordinates** object and then install it using the **ChartView.SetCurrentMouseListener** method. This adds the **MoveCoordinates** object as a **MouseListener** to the **ChartView** object. Enable/Disable the function using MoveCoordinates.**SetEnable** method. Call MoveCoordinates.**SetCurrentMouseListener**(null) to remove the object as a mouse listener for the chart view.

You can restrict the movement of the coordinate system to the x-dimension (`MOVE_X`), or the y-dimension (`MOVE_Y`), using the **MoveMode** property. Set **MoveMode** to MOME_XY for unrestricted movement.

If you have multiple coordinate systems in the chart, you can move them all simultaneously by setting the **MultiTransformMove** property true. Otherwise, only the coordinate system passed into the constructor is updated with the move information.

## Moving the coordinate system (Extracted from the ZoomExamples.MoveCoordinates example)

[C#]

```
TimeSimpleDataset Dataset1 = new TimeSimpleDataset("First", tradingDay,
stockPrice);

TimeCoordinates pTransform1 = new TimeCoordinates();
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);.
.
.
.
MoveCoordinates movecoords = new MoveCoordinates(chartVu, pTransform1);
movecoords.SetEnable(true);
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(movecoords);
```

## [Visual Basic]

```
Dim Dataset1 As New TimeSimpleDataset("First", timeData, dataValues)
Dim pTransform1 As New TimeCoordinates()

pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
.
.
.
Dim movecoords As New MoveCoordinates(chartVu, pTransform1)
movecoords.SetEnable(True)
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(movecoords)
```

# 15. Zooming and Magnification

**ChartZoom**
**MagniView**

Zooming is the interactive re-scaling of a charts physical coordinate system and the related axes based on limits defined by clicking and dragging a mouse inside the current graph window. A typical use of zooming is in applications where the initial chart displays a large number of data points. The user interacts with the chart, defining smaller and smaller zoom rectangles, zeroing in on the region of interest. The final chart displays axis limits that have a very small range compared to the range of the original, un-zoomed, chart.

Important zoom features include:

- Automatic recalculation of axis properties for tick mark spacing and axis labels..

- Zooming of time coordinates with smooth transitions between major scale changes: years->months->weeks->days->hours->minutes->seconds.

- Zooming of time coordinates that use a 5-day week and a non-24 hour day.

- Simultaneous zooming of an unlimited number of x- and y-coordinate systems and axes (super zooming).

- The user can recover previous zoom levels using a zoom stack.

- The zoomed coordinate system can be forced to maintain a fixed aspect ratio.

- User-defineable zoom limits prevent numeric under and overflows

Magnification is related to zooming because it is also the interactive re-scaling of a charts physical coordinate system. In this case, a fixed sized view window is passed over a source chart, analogous to passing a magnifying class over a map. The area under the view window is "magnified" and redisplayed in a separate target chart. The source chart does not re-scale, as in the case of zooming. Only the target chart gets rescaled, in response to the position of the view window position over the source chart.

## Simple Zooming of a single physical coordinate system

**Class ChartZoom**
**MouseListener**
```
     |
     +--ChartZoom
```

The **ChartZoom** class implements .Net delegates for mouse events. It implements and uses the mouse events: OnMouseMove, OnDoubleClick, OnMouseDown, OnMouseUp and OnClick. The default operation of the **ChartZoom** class starts the zoom operation on the OnMouseDown event; it draws the zoom rectangle using the XOR drawing mode during the OnMouseMove event; and terminates the zoom operation on the mouse released event. During the mouse released event, the zoom rectangle is converted from device units into the chart physical coordinates and this information is stored and optionally used to rescale the chart scale and all axis objects that reference the chart scale. If four axis objects reference a single chart scale, for example when axes bound a chart on all for sides, all four axes re-scale to match the new chart scale.

### ChartZoom constructor

The constructor below creates a zoom object for a single chart coordinate system.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
    ByVal component As ChartView, _
    ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
    ByVal brescale As Boolean _
)
[C#]
public ChartZoom(
    ChartView component,
    PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    bool brescale
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *component* | A reference to the **ChartView** object that the chart is placed in. |
| *transform* | The **PhysicalCoordinates** object associated with the scale being zoomed. |
| *brescale* | True designates that the scale should be re-scaled, once the final zoom rectangle is ascertained. |

Enable the zoom object after creation using the **ChartZoom.SetEnable(true)** method.

Retrieve the physical coordinates of the zoom rectangle using the **ChartZoom** GetZoomMin and GetZoomMax methods. Restrict zooming in the x- or y-direction using the SetZoomXEnable and SetZoomYEnable methods. Set the rounding mode associated with rescale operations using the SetZoomXRoundMode and SetZoomYRoundMode methods. Call the **ChartZoom.PopZoomStack** method at any time and the chart scale reverts to the minimum and maximum values of the previous zoom operation. Repeated

calls to the PopZoomStack method return the chart scale is to its original condition, after which the PopZoomStack method has no effect.

**Integrated zoom stack processing**
Starting with Revision 2.0, zoom stack processing is internal to **ChartZoom** class. There is no need to subclass the **ChartZoom** class in order to implement a zoom stack. Just set the ChartZoom.InternalZoomStackProcessing property true.

```
zoomObj.InternalZoomStackProcesssing = true;
```

Return to a previous zoom level by right clicking the mouse. Change the zoom stack button using the ZoomStackButtonMask property. Setting it to MouseButtons.Left, MouseButtons.Right or MouseButtons.Middle.

**Aspect Ratio Correction**
Starting with Revision 2.0, you can force the zoom rectangle to maintain a fixed aspect ratio. Use the ChartZoom.ArCorrectionMode property to specify the aspect ratio correction mode.

| | |
|---|---|
| ZOOM_NO_AR_CORRECTION | Allow the x- and y-dimension of the zoom rectangle to change the overall charts physical aspect ratio. This is the default mode, and the only mode supported prior to Revision 2.0. |
| ZOOM_X_AR_CORRECTION | Track the x-dimension of the zoom rectangle and calculate the y-dimension in order to maintain a fixed aspect ratio. |
| ZOOM_Y_AR_CORRECTION | Track the y-dimension of the zoom rectangle and calculate the x-dimension in order to maintain a fixed aspect ratio. |

The target aspect ratio is the aspect ratio of the coordinate system(s) at the time the **ChartZoom** object is intitialized.

```
zoomObj.ArCorrectionMode = ChartObj.ZOOM_X_AR_CORRECTION
```

**Simple zoom example (Adapted from the SimpleZoom example)**
In this example, a new class derives from the **ChartZoom** class and the MousePressed event overridden. The event invokes the PopZoomStack method. Otherwise, the default operation of the **ChartZoom** class controls everything else.

[C#]

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```
.
.
.
ChartZoom zoomObj = new ChartZoom (chartVu, pTransform1, true);
zoomObj.SetButtonMask(MouseButtons.Left);
zoomObj.SetZoomYEnable(true);
zoomObj.SetZoomXEnable(true);
zoomObj.SetZoomXRoundMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
zoomObj.SetZoomYRoundMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
zoomObj.SetEnable(true);
zoomObj.SetZoomStackEnable(true);
// set range limits to 1000 ms, 1 degree
zoomObj.SetZoomRangeLimitsRatio(new Dimension(1.0, 1.0));
zoomObj.InternalZoomStackProcesssing = true;
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(zoomObj);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
.
.
.
Dim zoomObj As New ChartZoom(chartVu, pTransform1, True)
zoomObj.SetButtonMask(MouseButtons.Left)
zoomObj.SetZoomYEnable(True)
zoomObj.SetZoomXEnable(True)
zoomObj.SetZoomXRoundMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
zoomObj.SetZoomYRoundMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
zoomObj.SetEnable(True)
zoomObj.SetZoomStackEnable(True)
' set range limits to 1000 ms, 1 degree
zoomObj.SetZoomRangeLimitsRatio(New Dimension(1.0, 1.0))
zoomObj.InternalZoomStackProcesssing = True
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(zoomObj)
```

# Super Zooming of multiple physical coordinate systems

The **ChartZoom** class also supports the zooming of multiple physical coordinate systems (*super zooming*). During the mouse released event, the zoom rectangle is converted from device units into the physical coordinates of each scale, and this information is used to re-scale each coordinate system, and the axis objects associated with them.

Use the constructor below in order to super zoom a chart that has multiple coordinate systems and axes.

### ChartZoom constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView, _
   ByVal transforms As PhysicalCoordinates(), _
   ByVal brescale As Boolean _
)
[C#]
public ChartZoom(
   ChartView component,
   PhysicalCoordinates[] transforms,
   bool brescale
);
```

component             A reference to the **ChartView** object that the chart is placed in.

transforms            An array, size numtransforms, of the **PhysicalCoordinates** objects associated with the zoom operation.

brescale              True designates that the all of the scales should be re-scaled, once the final zoom rectangle is ascertained.

Call the **ChartZoom.SetEnable(true)** method to enable the zoom object.

Restrict zooming in the x- or y-direction using the SetZoomXEnable and SetZoomYEnable methods. Set the rounding mode associated with rescale operations using the SetZoomXRoundMode and SetZoomYRoundMode methods. Call the **ChartZoom.PopZoomStack** method at any time and the chart scale reverts to the minimum and maximum values of the previous zoom operation. Repeated calls to the PopZoomStack method return the chart scale is to its original condition, after which the PopZoomStack method has no effect.

Starting with Revision 2.0, zoom stack processing is internal to **ChartZoom** class. There is no need to subclass the **ChartZoom** class in order to implement a zoom stack. Just set the ChartZoom.InternalZoomStackProcessing property true.

```
zoomObj.InternalZoomStackProcesssing = true;
```

Return to a previous zoom level by right clicking the mouse. Change the zoom stack button using the ZoomStackButtonMask property. Setting it to MouseButtons.Left, MouseButtons.Right or MouseButtons.Middle.

**Super zoom example (Adapted from the SuperZoom example)**
In this example, a new class derives from the **ChartZoom** class and the MousePressed event overridden. The event invokes the PopZoomStack method. Otherwise, the default operation of the **ChartZoom** class controls everything else.

[C#]

```
public class SuperZoom : com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet6.ChartView
{
.
.
SimpleDataset Dataset1 = new SimpleDataset("First", x1,y1);
SimpleDataset Dataset2 = new SimpleDataset("Second",x1,y2);
SimpleDataset Dataset3 = new SimpleDataset("Third", x1,y3);
```

```
SimpleDataset Dataset4 = new SimpleDataset("Fourth",x1,y4);
SimpleDataset Dataset5 = new SimpleDataset("Fifth", x1,y5);

CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE);
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);

CartesianCoordinates pTransform2 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE);
pTransform2.AutoScale(Dataset2, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
CartesianCoordinates pTransform3 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE);
pTransform3.AutoScale(Dataset3, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
CartesianCoordinates pTransform4 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE);
pTransform4.AutoScale(Dataset4, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
CartesianCoordinates pTransform5 =
        new CartesianCoordinates( ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE);
pTransform5.AutoScale(Dataset5, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
.
.

CartesianCoordinates []transformArray =
        {pTransform1, pTransform2,pTransform3,pTransform4,pTransform5};

ChartZoom zoomObj = new ChartZoom (chartVu, transformArray, true);
zoomObj.SetButtonMask(MouseButtons.Left);
zoomObj.SetZoomYEnable(true);
zoomObj.SetZoomXEnable(true);
zoomObj.SetZoomXRoundMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
zoomObj.SetZoomYRoundMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
zoomObj.SetEnable(true);
zoomObj.SetZoomStackEnable(true);
zoomObj.InternalZoomStackProcesssing = true;
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(zoomObj);


.
.
.
 Dim Dataset1 As New SimpleDataset("First", x1, y1)
 Dim Dataset2 As New SimpleDataset("Second", x1, y2)
 Dim Dataset3 As New SimpleDataset("Third", x1, y3)
 Dim Dataset4 As New SimpleDataset("Fourth", x1, y4)
 Dim Dataset5 As New SimpleDataset("Fifth", x1, y5)

 Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, _
        ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)

Dim pTransform2 As New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, _
        ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform2.AutoScale(Dataset2, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)

Dim pTransform3 As New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, _
        ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform3.AutoScale(Dataset3, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)

Dim pTransform4 As New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, _
        ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform4.AutoScale(Dataset4, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)

Dim pTransform5 As New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE, _
        ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform5.AutoScale(Dataset5, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
.
.
Dim transformArray As CartesianCoordinates() = {pTransform1, _
            pTransform2, pTransform3, pTransform4, pTransform5}
```

```
Dim zoomObj As New ChartZoom(chartVu, transformArray, 5, True)
zoomObj.SetButtonMask(MouseButtons.Left)
zoomObj.SetZoomYEnable(True)
zoomObj.SetZoomXEnable(True)
zoomObj.SetZoomXRoundMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
zoomObj.SetZoomYRoundMode(ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
zoomObj.SetEnable(True)
zoomObj.SetZoomStackEnable(True)
zoomObj.InternalZoomStackProcesssing = True
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(zoomObj)
```

## Limiting the Zoom Range

A zoom window needs to have zoom limits placed on the minimum allowable zoom range for the x- and y-coordinates. Unrestricted, or infinte zooming can result in numeric under and overflows. The default minimum allowable range resuling from a zoom operation is 1/1000 of the original coordinate range. Change this value using the **ChartZoom.SetZoomRangeLimitsRatio** method. The minimum allowable range for this value is approximately 1.0e-9. Another way to set the minimum allowable range is to specify explicit values for the x- and y-range using the **ChartZoom.SetZoomRangeLimits** method. Specify the minimum allowable zoom range for a time axis in milliseconds, for example **ChartZoom.SetZoomRangeLimits(new Dimension(1000, 0.01))** sets the minimum zoom range for the time axis to 1 second and for the y-axis to 0.01. The utility method **ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue** is useful for calculating the milliseconds for any time base and any number of units. The code below sets a minimum zoom range of 45 minutes.

[C#]

```
double minZoomTimeRange  =
        ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.MINUTE, 45);
double minZoomYRange = 0.01;
Dimension zoomLimits = new Dimension(minZoomTimeRange, minZoomYRange);
zoomObj.SetZoomRangeLimits(zoomLimits);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim minZoomTimeRange As  double = _
        ChartObj.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.MINUTE, 45)
Dim minZoomYRange As Double = 0.01
Dim zoomLimits As Dimension = New Dimension(minZoomTimeRange, minZoomYRange)
zoomObj.SetZoomRangeLimits(zoomLimits)
```

# Magnifying a portion of a chart in a separate window

## Class MagniView

**MouseListener**

```
       |
      +--MagniView
```

The **MagniView** class needs two chart areas in order to work: a source chart area, which contains the full scale display of the chart, and the target chart area, which will contain a magnified view of the chart.

The **MagniView** class starts the magnify operation on the OnMouseDown event, positioning the lower left corner of a magnify rectangle on top of the source chart. Immediately, a magnified view of the chart will appear in the target chart. As the mouse moves the magnify rectangle, the target chart constantly updates to reflect the current view window. Once the mouse button is released, the target chart remains at its current values.

### MagniView constructor

The constructor below creates a **MagniView** object for a single chart coordinate system.

```
Visual Basic (Declaration)
Public Sub New ( _
    source As ChartView, _
    target As ChartView, _
    transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
    magnirect As Dimension, _
)
C#
public MagniView(
    ChartView source,
    ChartView target,
    PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    Dimension magnirect
)
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *source* | A reference to the source **ChartView** object that the chart is placed in. |
| *target* | A reference to the target **ChartView** object that the magnified view of the chart is placed in. |
| *transform* | The source **PhysicalCoordinates** object associated with the scale being magnified. |
| *magnirect* | The rectangle, in physical coordinates, of the magnify cursor. |

Enable the magnify object after creation using the **MagniView.SetEnable(true)** method.

Retrieve the physical coordinates of the magnify rectangle using the **MagniView** GetMagniMin and GetMagniMax methods. Restrict magnification in the x- or y-direction using the SetMagniXEnable and SetMagniYEnable methods. Set the rounding mode associated with rescale operations using the SetMagniXRoundMode and SetMagniYRoundMode methods.

In order to use the **MagniView** class, you need two instances of the underlying chart. Place one above, or next to the other, on a parent form, as done in the example. The first instance of the chart should be considered the source chart, and the second instance of the chart should be considered the target. This way you end up with two charts with an identical set of axes and plot ojects.

**Simple magnify example (Adapted from the ZoomExamples.MagniViewUserControl1 example)**

[C#]

```
InitializeData();

// Define charts using data
magniViewChart1.InitializeChart(Dataset1, Dataset2, "Click and drag on the top
graph using left mouse button.","", false);
magniViewChart2.InitializeChart(Dataset1, Dataset2, "The area bounded by the mouse
'magnify' icon is displayed full-scale in the bottom graph.", "", true);

// Hook-up the MagniView class to the source and target classes
MagniView magnifyObj = new MagniView(magniViewChart1,
            magniViewChart2, magniViewChart1.pTransform1,
            new Dimension(0.05, 0.2));
            magnifyObj.SetButtonMask(MouseButtons.Left);
            magnifyObj.SetEnable(true);
            magnifyObj.UpdateDuringDrag = true;
            magniViewChart1.SetCurrentMouseListener(magnifyObj);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
InitializeData()

' Define charts using data
MagniViewChart1.InitializeChart(Dataset1, Dataset2, _
    "Click and drag on the top graph using left mouse button.", "", False)
MagniViewChart2.InitializeChart(Dataset1, Dataset2, _
    "The area bounded by the mouse 'magnify' icon is displayed full-scale in the
bottom graph.", "", True)
'
' Hook-up the MagniView class to the source and target classes
Dim magnifyObj As New MagniView(MagniViewChart1, MagniViewChart2, _
    MagniViewChart1.pTransform1, New Dimension(0.05, 0.2))
magnifyObj.SetButtonMask(MouseButtons.Left)
magnifyObj.SetEnable(True)
magnifyObj.UpdateDuringDrag = True
MagniViewChart1.SetCurrentMouseListener(magnifyObj)
```

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# Magnifying multiple physical coordinate systems

The **MagniView** class also supports the magnifications of multiple physical coordinate systems. If the source chart has multiple coordinate systems, and you want to magnify all of the coordinate systems, use the **MagniView** constructor which takes an array of **PhysicalCoordinates** systems as an argument.

**MagniView constructor**


**Visual Basic (Declaration)**

```
Public Sub New ( _
    source As ChartView, _
    target As ChartView, _
    transforms As PhysicalCoordinates(), _
    magnirect As Dimension _
)
C#
public MagniView(
    ChartView source,
    ChartView target,
    PhysicalCoordinates[] transforms,
    Dimension magnirect
)
```


| | |
|---|---|
| *source* | A reference to the source **ChartView** object that the chart is placed in. |
| *target* | A reference to the target **ChartView** object that the magnified view of the chart is placed in. |
| *transforms* | An arry of **PhysicalCoordinates** objects associated with the chart being magnified. |
| *magnirect* | The rectangle, in physical coordinates, of the magnify cursor. |


Enable the magnify object after creation using the **MagniView.SetEnable(true)** method.

Retrieve the physical coordinates of the magnify rectangle using the **MagniView** GetMagniMin and GetMagniMax methods. Restrict magnification in the x- or y-direction using the SetMagniXEnable and SetMagniYEnable methods. Set the rounding mode associated with rescale operations using the SetMagniXRoundMode and SetMagniYRoundMode methods.

In order to use the **MagniView** class, you need two instances of the underlying chart. Place one above, or next to the other, on a parent form, as done in the example. The first instance of the chart should be considered the source chart, and the second instance of the chart should be considered the target. This way you end up with two charts with an identical set of axes and plot ojects.

### Super magnify example (Adapted from the ZoomExamples.SuperMagniViewUserControl1 example)

[C#]

```csharp
InitializeData();

// Define charts using data
superMagniViewChart1.InitializeChart(Dataset1, Dataset2, Dataset3, Dataset4,
Dataset5,
"Click and drag on the top graph using left mouse button.", "");
superMagniViewChart2.InitializeChart(Dataset1, Dataset2, Dataset3, Dataset4,
Dataset5, "The area bounded by the mouse 'magnify' icon is displayed full-scale in
the bottom graph.", "");

// Hook-up the MagniView class to the source and target classes
CartesianCoordinates[] transformArray = { superMagniViewChart1.pTransform1,
superMagniViewChart1.pTransform2, superMagniViewChart1.pTransform3,
superMagniViewChart1.pTransform4,  superMagniViewChart1.pTransform5 };

MagniView magnifyObj = new MagniView(superMagniViewChart1, superMagniViewChart2,
transformArray, new Dimension(0.1, 0.2));

magnifyObj.SetButtonMask(MouseButtons.Left);
magnifyObj.SetEnable(true);
superMagniViewChart1.SetCurrentMouseListener(magnifyObj);
```

[VB]

```vb
InitializeData()

' Define charts using data
SuperMagniViewChart1.InitializeChart(Dataset1, Dataset2, Dataset3, _
    Dataset4, Dataset5, "Click and drag on the top graph using left mouse
button.",  "")
SuperMagniViewChart2.InitializeChart(Dataset1, Dataset2, Dataset3, _
    Dataset4, Dataset5, "The area bounded by the mouse 'magnify' icon is displayed
full-scale in the bottom graph.", "")

' Hook-up the MagniView class to the source and target classes
Dim transformArray As CartesianCoordinates() ={SuperMagniViewChart1.pTransform1, _
    SuperMagniViewChart1.pTransform2, SuperMagniViewChart1.pTransform3, _
    SuperMagniViewChart1.pTransform4, SuperMagniViewChart1.pTransform5}
'
Dim magnifyObj As New MagniView(SuperMagniViewChart1, SuperMagniViewChart2, _
    transformArray, New Dimension(0.1, 0.2))

magnifyObj.SetButtonMask(MouseButtons.Left)
magnifyObj.SetEnable(True)
SuperMagniViewChart1.SetCurrentMouseListener(magnifyObj)
```

# 16. Data Tooltips

**DataToolTip**

Tooltip is a catchall phrase for a popup window that displays useful information about an object. A data tooltip is a popup box that displays the value of a data point in a chart. The data value can consist of the x-value, the y-value, or both values for a given point in a chart. The tooltip values are displayed using the numeric and time formats supported by the **NumericLabel** and **TimeLabel** classes.

## Simple Data Tooltips

### Class DataToolTip
**MouseListener**
```
     |
     +-DataToolTip
```

The **DataToolTip** class implements .Net mouse event delegates. It implements and uses the mouse events: OnMouseMove, OnDoubleClick, OnMouseDown, OnMouseUp, and OnClick. The default operation of the **DataToolTip** class traps the mouse pressed event. It calculates which chart object intersects the mouse cursor and which data points for the intersecting object are closest. Next, it pops up a window and displays the x-value and/or y-value representing the data point. When the mouse button is released, the OnMouseUp event, the tooltip popup window is deleted.

The tooltip data point search algorithm is complicated by the situation that many chart objects occupy a much larger area than the data point that is represented. Bars are a good example. A bar can occupy a large area, yet the actual data value represented by the bar is only a small point at the top. The tooltip algorithm searches for an intersection of the bar and the mouse cursor, not an intersection of the data point and the mouse cursor. If a hit on the bar is detected, the data values represented by the bar are used as the values displayed in the tooltip. The tooltip symbol will highlight the actual data point at the top of the bar. The tooltip window will always popup at the cursor location, not the data point location. If you click anywhere on a bar, the tooltip window will popup at that location and display the data value represented by the top of the bar.

The tooltip data point search algorithm works with both simple and group data. When used with simple plot objects (**SimpleLinePlot**, **SimpleBarPlot**, etc.) it locates the xy data point associated with the mouse event. When used with group plot objects it locates the x-value and the y-group value associated with the mouse event. It is able to differentiate between "stacked" group plot objects (**StackedBarPlot**, **StackedLinePlot**) and the other group plot objects that are not stacked (**GroupBarPlot**, **MultiLinePlot**, **OHLCPlot**, **CandlestickPlot**, etc.). The tooltip values displayed in the tooltip window reflect the actual data values stored in the associated dataset and do not reflect the implicit summation that goes on in the display of stacked plot objects. You should not use symbols to highlight the tooltip data point for stacked objects since the position of the tooltip symbol in the chart will not take into account the stacked object summation.

### DataToolTip constructors

The constructors below create a **DataToolTip** object.

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView, _
   ByVal buttonmask As MouseButtons _
)
```

```
[C#]
public DataToolTip(
   ChartView component
);

public DataToolTip(
   ChartView component,
   MouseButtons buttonmask
);
```

*component*                A reference to the **ChartView** object that the chart is placed in.

*buttonmask*          Specifies the mouse button that is trapped to invoke a move.

Create the **DataToolTip** object and then install it using the **ChartView.SetCurrentMouseListener** method. This adds the **DataToolTip** object as a **MouseListener** to the **ChartView** object. Enable/Disable the function using **DataToolTip.SetEnable** method. Call **ChartView.SetCurrentMouseListener**(null) to remove the object as a mouse listener for the chart view.

Set the threshold distance for deciding if the nearest data point found is a "hit" using the **DataToolTip.SetHitTestThreshold** method.

The default values for the **DataToolTip** class assume the following:

- The left mouse button pressed event is the trigger for the tooltip. Change this using the DataToolTip.SetButtonMask method.
- The numeric format for the x- and y-values are controlled by separate NumericLabel class templates that are both initially set to the ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT format with a decimal precision of 1. Change this by creating a NumericLabel or TimeLabel object that specifies how you want the number formatted. Set the x- and y-value templates independently using the DataToolTip.SetXValueTemplate and DataToolTip.SetYValue template methods.
- The tooltip will display just the y-value of the selected object. Change this to display the x-value or both the x and y-values using the DataToolTip.SetDataToolTipFormat method, specifying one of the data tooltip format constants: DATA_TOOLTIP_CUSTOM, DATA_TOOLTIP_X, DATA_TOOLTIP_Y, DATA_TOOLTIP_XY_ONELINE, DATA_TOOLTIP_TWOLINE, DATA_TOOLTIP_GROUP_MULTILINE, DATA_TOOLTIP_OHLC.
- The tooltip popup window uses a default Sans Serif font with a size of 12. The text is justified above and to the right of the mouse cursor. The default background color of the data tooltip is a pale yellow, RGB (255,255,204). Change this by replacing the ChartText object used as the template for the tooltip popup window. Use the DataToolTip.SetTextTemplate method to replace the default template with your own.
- The selected data point is highlighted using a ChartSymbol object, set to a default shape of ChartObj.SQUARE, a size of 8 and a color of black. Change this by replacing the ChartSymbol used as the template with one of your own.

**Simple data tooltip example (Adapted from the MultiAxes example)**
In this example, the tooltip will display the decimal y-value of the nearest data point when the left mouse button is pressed.

[C#]

```
ChartView chartVu;

DataToolTip datatooltip = new DataToolTip(chartVu);
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(datatooltip);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim chartVu As ChartView

Dim datatooltip As DataToolTip = New DataToolTip(chartVu)
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(datatooltip)
```

**Medium complex data tooltip example (Adapted from the LineFill example)**
In this example, the tooltip will display the x-value of the data point as a date, and the y-value as currency. The x- and y-values are displayed on two separate lines, one above the other.

[C#]

```
Font toolTipFont = new Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Regular);
DataToolTip datatooltip = new DataToolTip(chartVu);
TimeLabel xValueTemplate = new TimeLabel( ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY);
NumericLabel yValueTemplate = new NumericLabel( ChartObj.CURRENCYFORMAT,0);
datatooltip.GetToolTipSymbol().SetColor(Color.Green);
datatooltip.SetXValueTemplate(xValueTemplate);
datatooltip.SetYValueTemplate(yValueTemplate);
datatooltip.SetDataToolTipFormat(ChartObj.DATA_TOOLTIP_XY_TWOLINE);
datatooltip.SetEnable(true);
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(datatooltip);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim toolTipFont As New Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Regular)
Dim datatooltip As New DataToolTip(chartVu)
Dim xValueTemplate As New TimeLabel(ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY)
Dim yValueTemplate As New NumericLabel(ChartObj.CURRENCYFORMAT, 0)
datatooltip.GetToolTipSymbol().SetColor(Color.Green)
datatooltip.SetXValueTemplate(xValueTemplate)
datatooltip.SetYValueTemplate(yValueTemplate)
datatooltip.SetDataToolTipFormat(ChartObj.DATA_TOOLTIP_XY_TWOLINE)
datatooltip.SetEnable(True)
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(datatooltip)
```

**Complex data tooltip example (Adapted from the OpeningScreen example)**
In this example, the tooltip will display the x-value of the data point as a date, and the y-value as currency. The x- and y-values are displayed on one line, side by side.

[C#]

```
Font toolTipFont = new Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Regular);
DataToolTip datatooltip = new DataToolTip(chartVu);
TimeLabel xValueTemplate = new TimeLabel( ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY);
NumericLabel yValueTemplate = new NumericLabel(ChartObj.CURRENCYFORMAT,2);
ChartText textTemplate = new ChartText(toolTipFont,"");
textTemplate.SetTextBgColor(Color.FromArgb(255,255, 204));
textTemplate.SetTextBgMode(true);
```

```
ChartSymbol toolTipSymbol =
        new ChartSymbol(null,  ChartObj.SQUARE, new ChartAttribute(Color.Black));
toolTipSymbol.SetSymbolSize(5.0);
datatooltip.SetTextTemplate(textTemplate);
datatooltip.SetXValueTemplate(xValueTemplate);
datatooltip.SetYValueTemplate(yValueTemplate);
datatooltip.SetDataToolTipFormat(ChartObj.DATA_TOOLTIP_OHLC);
datatooltip.SetToolTipSymbol(toolTipSymbol);
datatooltip.SetEnable(true);
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(datatooltip);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim toolTipFont As New Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Regular)

Dim datatooltip As New DataToolTip(chartVu)
Dim xValueTemplate As New TimeLabel(ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY)
Dim yValueTemplate As New NumericLabel(ChartObj.CURRENCYFORMAT, 2)
Dim textTemplate As New ChartText(toolTipFont, "")
textTemplate.SetTextBgColor(Color.FromArgb(255, 255, 204))
textTemplate.SetTextBgMode(True)
Dim toolTipSymbol As New ChartSymbol(Nothing, ChartObj.SQUARE, _
    New ChartAttribute(Color.Black))
toolTipSymbol.SetSymbolSize(5.0)
datatooltip.SetTextTemplate(textTemplate)
datatooltip.SetXValueTemplate(xValueTemplate)
datatooltip.SetYValueTemplate(yValueTemplate)
datatooltip.SetDataToolTipFormat(ChartObj.DATA_TOOLTIP_OHLC)
datatooltip.SetToolTipSymbol(toolTipSymbol)
datatooltip.SetEnable(True)
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(datatooltip)
```

# Custom Tooltip displays

It would be impossible to provide options for all possible tooltip displays. The **DataToolTip** class includes an option that enables the programmer to override the existing behavior of the class. The programmer is able to use the built in search routines to identify what plot object is selected, the dataset, the coordinate system and the actual data values associated with the plot object. Using this information the programmer can customize the text displayed in the **ChartText** object used to display the tooltip text.

Use the following steps to create a custom tooltip.

- Subclass the **DataToolTip** class with one of your own.
- Enable the custom mode by calling **DataToolTip.SetDataToolTipFormat** method.
- Override the **OnMouseDown** and **OnMouseUp** events and add the code needed to customize the display. In your custom **OnMouseDown** event, make sure you call **super**.**OnMouseDown** first, since this selects the plot object for you, and makes the plot objects coordinate system, dataset, and selected data point available using get methods. You can place your tooltip text in the **ChartText** object internal to the **DataToolTip** class. Get a reference to this object using the **DataToolTip.GetTextTemplate**() method. In your custom **OnMouseUp** event call **super.OnMouseUp** followed by a call to the **ChartView** repaint method (chartVu.UpdateDraw() in the example below);

**Custom DataToolTip example (Adapted from the OHLCFinPlot example)**
In this example, a new class is derived from the **DataToolTip** class and the
OnMouseDown and OnMouseUp events are overridden.

[C#]

```
ChartView chartVu;
class CustomToolTip: DataToolTip
{
    ChartText stockpanel;
    ChartCalendar []xValues;
    double [,]stockPriceData;
    double []stockVolumeData;
    double []NASDAQData ;

    public CustomToolTip(ChartView component,
        ChartCalendar []xvalues, double [,]stockpricedata,
        double []nasdaqdata, double []stockvolumedata): base (component)
        {
            xValues = xvalues;
            stockPriceData = stockpricedata;
            stockVolumeData = stockvolumedata;
            NASDAQData = nasdaqdata;
            stockpanel = GetTextTemplate();
        }

        public override void  OnMouseUp(MouseEventArgs mouseevent)
        {
            base.OnMouseUp(mouseevent);
// Redraws the chart. Since the stockpanel object has not been added to the chart
// (using addChartObject) it will not be redrawn when the chart is redrawn
            GetChartObjComponent().UpdateDraw();
        }

        public override void  OnMouseDown (MouseEventArgs mouseevent)
        {
            Point2D mousepos = new Point2D();
            mousepos.SetLocation(mouseevent.X, mouseevent.Y);
            base.OnMouseDown(mouseevent);

            ChartPlot selectedPlot =  (ChartPlot) GetSelectedPlotObj();
            if (selectedPlot != null)
            {
                int selectedindex = GetNearestPoint().GetNearestPointIndex();
                PhysicalCoordinates transform = GetSelectedCoordinateSystem();
                stockpanel.SetChartObjScale(transform);
                stockpanel.SetLocation( mousepos, ChartObj.DEV_POS);
                stockpanel.SetTextString("Stock Data" );
// Looking to the original arrays, because we just have the selectedindex,
// yet we want to display stock O-H-L-C data, volume and NASDAQ. Only one
// of these datasets can be selected at a time by the tooltip.
                double open = stockPriceData[0,selectedindex];
                double high = stockPriceData[1,selectedindex];
                double low = stockPriceData[2,selectedindex];
                double close = stockPriceData[3,selectedindex];
            double nasdaq = NASDAQData[selectedindex];
            double volume = stockVolumeData[selectedindex];
            String openObj = ChartSupport.NumToString( open,
                ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT, 2, "");
            String highObj = ChartSupport.NumToString( high,
                ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT, 2, "");
            String lowObj = ChartSupport.NumToString( low,
```

```
                ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT, 2, "");
            String closeObj = ChartSupport.NumToString( close,
                ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT, 2, "");
            String volumeObj = ChartSupport.NumToString( volume,
                ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT, 0, "");
            String nasdaqObj = ChartSupport.NumToString( nasdaq,
                ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT, 2, "");
            TimeLabel timelabel = new TimeLabel(transform,
                xValues[selectedindex], ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_STANDARD);

            stockpanel.AddNewLineTextString(timelabel.GetTextString());
            stockpanel.AddNewLineTextString("Open " + openObj);
            stockpanel.AddNewLineTextString("High " + highObj);
            stockpanel.AddNewLineTextString("Low " + lowObj);
            stockpanel.AddNewLineTextString("Close " + closeObj);
            stockpanel.AddNewLineTextString("Volume " + volumeObj);
            stockpanel.AddNewLineTextString("NASDAQ " + nasdaqObj);
            stockpanel.SetChartObjEnable(ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE);
            Graphics g2 = GetToolTipGraphics();
            // Precalculates the text bounding box so that the size is
            // known before it is drawn
            stockpanel.PreCalcTextBoundingBox(g2);
            Rectangle2D boundingbox = stockpanel.GetTextBox();
            // Reposition tooltip text box if top of box near top of graph window
            // You can do the same thing for all four sides of the graph window
            if (  (mousepos.GetY() - boundingbox.GetHeight()) < 1)
            {
                mousepos.SetLocation(mousepos.GetX(),
                        mousepos.GetY() + boundingbox.GetHeight());
                stockpanel.SetLocation( mousepos, ChartObj.DEV_POS);
            }
            // Draws the tooltip text panel to the chart graphics context
            stockpanel.Draw(GetToolTipGraphics());
        }
    }
}
CustomToolTip stocktooltip =
        new CustomToolTip(chartVu, xValues, stockPriceData, NASDAQData,
                stockVolumeData);
stocktooltip.SetDataToolTipFormat(ChartObj.DATA_TOOLTIP_CUSTOM);
stocktooltip.SetEnable(true);
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(stocktooltip);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Class CustomToolTip
     Inherits DataToolTip
  Private stockpanel As ChartText
  Private xValues() As ChartCalendar
  Private stockPriceData(,) As Double
  Private stockVolumeData() As Double
  Private NASDAQData() As Double
  Public Sub New(ByVal component As ChartView, ByVal xs() As ChartCalendar, _
          ByVal stockprices(,) As Double, ByVal nasdaqs() As Double, _
          ByVal stockvolumes() As Double)
    MyBase.New(component)
    xValues = xs
    stockPriceData = stockprices
    stockVolumeData = stockvolumes
    NASDAQData = nasdaqs
    stockpanel = GetTextTemplate()
  End Sub 'New


  Public Overrides Sub OnMouseUp(ByVal mouseevent As MouseEventArgs)
```

```vb
      MyBase.OnMouseUp(mouseevent)
  ' Redraws the chart. Since the stockpanel object has not been added to the chart
  ' (using addChartObject) it will not be redrawn when the chart is redrawn
      GetChartObjComponent().UpdateDraw()
   End Sub 'OnMouseUp

   Public Overrides Sub OnMouseDown(ByVal mouseevent As MouseEventArgs)
     Dim mousepos As New Point2D()
     mousepos.SetLocation(mouseevent.X, mouseevent.Y)
     MyBase.OnMouseDown(mouseevent)

     Dim selectedPlot As ChartPlot = CType(GetSelectedPlotObj(), ChartPlot)
       If Not (selectedPlot Is Nothing) Then
         Dim selectedindex As Integer = GetNearestPoint().GetNearestPointIndex()
         Dim transform As PhysicalCoordinates = GetSelectedCoordinateSystem()
         stockpanel.SetChartObjScale(transform)
         stockpanel.SetLocation(mousepos, ChartObj.DEV_POS)
         stockpanel.SetTextString("Stock Data")
       ' Looking to the original arrays, because we just have the selectedindex,
       ' yet we want to display stock O-H-L-C data, volume and NASDAQ. Only one
       ' of these datasets can be selected at a time by the tooltip.
         Dim open As Double = stockPriceData(0, selectedindex)
         Dim high As Double = stockPriceData(1, selectedindex)
         Dim low As Double = stockPriceData(2, selectedindex)
         Dim close As Double = stockPriceData(3, selectedindex)
         Dim nasdaq As Double = NASDAQData(selectedindex)
         Dim volume As Double = stockVolumeData(selectedindex)
         Dim openObj As [String] = ChartSupport.NumToString(open, _
               ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT, 2, "")
         Dim highObj As [String] = ChartSupport.NumToString(high, _
               ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT, 2, "")
         Dim lowObj As [String] = ChartSupport.NumToString(low, _
               ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT, 2, "")

         Dim closeObj As [String] = ChartSupport.NumToString(close, _
               ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT, 2, "")
         Dim volumeObj As [String] = ChartSupport.NumToString(volume, _
               ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT, 0, "")
         Dim nasdaqObj As [String] = ChartSupport.NumToString(nasdaq, _
               ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT, 2, "")
         Dim timelabel As New TimeLabel(transform, xValues(selectedindex), _
               ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_STANDARD)
         stockpanel.AddNewLineTextString(timelabel.GetTextString())
         stockpanel.AddNewLineTextString(("Open " + openObj))
         stockpanel.AddNewLineTextString(("High " + highObj))
         stockpanel.AddNewLineTextString(("Low " + lowObj))
         stockpanel.AddNewLineTextString(("Close " + closeObj))
         stockpanel.AddNewLineTextString(("Volume " + volumeObj))
         stockpanel.AddNewLineTextString(("NASDAQ " + nasdaqObj))
         stockpanel.SetChartObjEnable(ChartObj.OBJECT_ENABLE)
         Dim g2 As Graphics = GetToolTipGraphics()
         ' Precalculates the text bounding box so that the size is
         ' known before it is drawn
         stockpanel.PreCalcTextBoundingBox(g2)
         Dim boundingbox As Rectangle2D = stockpanel.GetTextBox()
         ' Reposition tooltip text box if top of box near top of graph window
         ' You can do the same thing for all four sides of the graph window
         If mousepos.GetY() - boundingbox.GetHeight() < 1 Then
            mousepos.SetLocation(mousepos.GetX(), mousepos.GetY() + _
            boundingbox.GetHeight())
            stockpanel.SetLocation(mousepos, ChartObj.DEV_POS)
         End If
         ' Draws the tooltip text panel to the chart graphics context
         stockpanel.Draw(GetToolTipGraphics())
       End If
     End Sub 'OnMouseDown
End Class 'CustomToolTip
```

# 17. Pie and Ring Charts

**PieChart**
**RingChart**

Everyone is familiar with the ubiquitous pie chart. Pie charts are 1-dimensional, not because they are shallow, but because they represent a simple 1-dimensional series of numbers, {3, 5, 2, 7, 3, ...}, rather than the parametric set of data points { (3,2), (6,3), (7,3)…} used in the other plot types described in this software. The best use of pie charts involves data that has 10 or fewer elements. Otherwise, the text used to label the pie charts starts to overlap in adjacent, small pie wedges. The x-values of a dataset represent the datavalues for each pie wedge. The y-values of the dataset explode a pie wedge from its normal centered position.

A ring chart is a variant of the pie chart. Instead an entire circle (or pie) being the basis of the chart, a ring is used instead.

## Using the Pie Chart Class

### Class PieChart
**GraphObj**
```
        |
     +--ChartPlot
            |
         +--SimplePlot
                |
             +-- PieChart
                    |
                 +-- RingChart
```
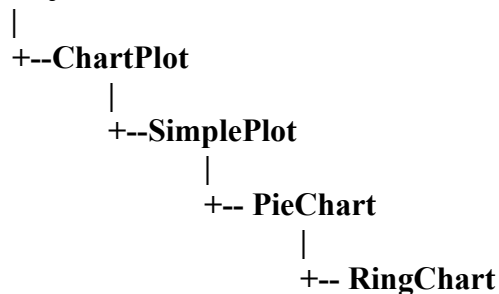
The **PieChart** and **RingChart** classes extends the **ChartPlot** class and displays pie/ring charts. The x-values of the simple dataset used for data storage specify the pie/ring wedge values. The y-values of the dataset specify the "explode" percentage for each pie/ring wedge.

### PieChart Constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As SimpleDataset, _
   ByVal spiestring1s As String(), _
   ByVal attribs As ChartAttribute(), _
   ByVal labelinout1 As Integer, _
   ByVal pielabelformat As Integer _
)
[C#]
public PieChart(
```

```
      PhysicalCoordinates transform,
      SimpleDataset dataset,
      string[] spiestring1s,
      ChartAttribute[] attribs,
      int labelinout1,
      int pielabelformat
);
```

## RingChart Constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As SimpleDataset, _
   ByVal spiestring1s As String(), _
   ByVal attribs As ChartAttribute(), _
   ByVal labelinout1 As Integer, _
   ByVal pielabelformat As Integer _
)
[C#]
public RingChart(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   SimpleDataset dataset,
   string[] spiestring1s,
   ChartAttribute[] attribs,
   int labelinout1,
   int pielabelformat
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The pie/ring chart is placed in the coordinate system defined by transform. |
| *dataset* | The pie/ring chart represents the values in this dataset. The x-values of the simple dataset used for data storage specify the pie/ring wedge values. The y-values of the dataset specify the "explode" percentage for each pie/ring wedge. |
| *spiestrings* | An array of strings, size dataset.GetNumberDatapoints(), used as labels for the pie/ring slices. |
| *attribs* | An array of **ChartAttribute** objects, size dataset.GetNumberDatapoints() that specify the attributes (outline color and fill color) for each wedge of a pie/ring chart. |
| *labelinout* | An array of integer, size dataset.GetNumberDatapoints(), specifying if a specific pie/ring slice text label is drawn inside the pie/ring slice, or outside of the pie/ring slice. Use one of the constants: PIELABEL_OUTSLICE or PIELABEL_INSLICE. |
| *pielabelformat* | All pie/ring slice labels share the same format. Use one of the pie/ring slice label format constants:<br><br>PIELABEL_NONE    Do not display and pie/ring slice text |

PIELABEL_STRING         Display only the pie/ring text strings, no numeric values

PIELABEL_NUMVALUE  Display the pie/ring numeric value only, no pie text strings.

PIELABEL_STRINGNUMVAL  Display the pie/ring text string and numeric value.

A pie/ring chart uses a default **CartesianCoordinates** object. Center it in the window using the **CartesianCoordinates.SetGraphBorderDiagonal** method. Format the text used to label the pie/ring chart, both the strings and the numeric values, using a **NumericLabel** template set using the **PieChart.SetPlotLabelTemplate** method. Change the starting position of the first pie/ring wedge from the default value of 0.0 (3:00 position) using the **PieChart.SetStartPieSliceAngle** method. The **PieChart.CalcNearestPoint** method can find the pie/ring wedge nearest a specified point, usually the result of a mouse click. See the **LabeledPieChart** example program.

**Simple pie chart (extracted from the example program PieCharts, class SimplePieChart). A simlar example for a RingChart is found in the example program NewDemosRev2.SimpleRingChart.**

[C#]

```csharp
int  numPoints = 5;
String []sPieStrings = {"Technology", "Retail", "Banking",
       "Automotive", "Aerospace"};
ChartAttribute []attribs = new ChartAttribute[5];
Font theFont;
Color []colorArray = {Color.Red, Color.Blue, Color.Cyan,
       Color.Yellow, Color.Green, Color.DarkGray, Color.LightGray,
       Color.Magenta, Color.Orange, Color.Pink};
ChartText techLabel;
ChartText retailLabel;
ChartText bankLabel;
ChartText aeroLabel;
ChartText autoLabel;

theFont = new Font("SansSerif", 10,  FontStyle.Bold);

double []x1 = new double[numPoints];
double []y1 = new double[numPoints];
int i;

for (i=0; i < numPoints; i++)
{
    attribs[i] = new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 1,0);
    attribs[i].SetFillColor(colorArray[i]);
}
x1[0] = 5.8; y1[0] = 0.2;
x1[1] = 2.2; y1[1] = 0.0;
x1[2] = 3.5; y1[2] = 0.0;
x1[3] = 4.2; y1[3] = 0.0;
x1[4] = 3.7; y1[4] = 0.0;
SimpleDataset Dataset1 = new SimpleDataset("First",x1,y1);
```

```
CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 = new CartesianCoordinates();
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, .2, .9, 0.9) ;

Background background1 = new Background( pTransform1,
        ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND,Color.FromArgb(0,120,70),
        Color.FromArgb(0,40,30), ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(background1);

PieChart thePlot1 =
        new PieChart(pTransform1, Dataset1, sPieStrings,attribs,
ChartObj.PIELABEL_OUTSLICE, ChartObj.PIELABEL_STRINGNUMVAL);
thePlot1.SetStartPieSliceAngle(-45);

NumericLabel labeltemplate = new NumericLabel();
labeltemplate.SetNumericFormat(ChartObj.CURRENCYFORMAT);
labeltemplate.SetDecimalPos(1);
labeltemplate.SetTextFont(theFont);
thePlot1.SetPlotLabelTemplate(labeltemplate);
thePlot1.SetLabelInOut(0,ChartObj.PIELABEL_INSLICE);
thePlot1.SetLabelInOut(1,ChartObj.PIELABEL_INSLICE);
thePlot1.SetLabelInOut(2,ChartObj.PIELABEL_INSLICE);
thePlot1.SetLabelInOut(3,ChartObj.PIELABEL_INSLICE);
thePlot1.SetLabelInOut(4,ChartObj.PIELABEL_INSLICE);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim numPoints As Integer = 5

Dim sPieStrings As [String]() = {"Technology", "Retail", "Banking", _
        "Automotive", "Aerospace"}
Dim attribs(5) As ChartAttribute
Dim theFont As Font
Dim colorArray As Color() = {Color.Red, Color.Blue, Color.Cyan, _
    Color.Yellow, Color.Green, Color.DarkGray, Color.LightGray, _
    Color.Magenta, Color.Orange, Color.Pink}

Dim techLabel As ChartText
Dim retailLabel As ChartText
Dim bankLabel As ChartText
Dim aeroLabel As ChartText
Dim autoLabel As ChartText

theFont = New Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Bold)

Dim x1(numPoints-1) As Double
Dim y1(numPoints - 1) As Double
Dim i As Integer

For i = 0 To numPoints - 1
  attribs(i) = New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, 0)
  attribs(i).SetFillColor(colorArray(i))
Next i

x1(0) = 5.8
y1(0) = 0.2
x1(1) = 2.2
y1(1) = 0.0
x1(2) = 3.5
y1(2) = 0.0
x1(3) = 4.2
y1(3) = 0.0
x1(4) = 3.7
```

```
y1(4) = 0.0
Dim Dataset1 As New SimpleDataset("First", x1, y1)
Dim pTransform1 As New CartesianCoordinates()
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, 0.2, 0.9, 0.9)

Dim background1 As New Background(pTransform1, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND, _
            Color.FromArgb(0, 120, 70), Color.FromArgb(0, 40, 30), _
            ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(background1)


Dim thePlot1 As New PieChart(pTransform1, Dataset1, sPieStrings, attribs, _
        ChartObj.PIELABEL_OUTSLICE, ChartObj.PIELABEL_STRINGNUMVAL)
thePlot1.SetStartPieSliceAngle(-45)

Dim labeltemplate As New NumericLabel()
labeltemplate.SetNumericFormat(ChartObj.CURRENCYFORMAT)
labeltemplate.SetDecimalPos(1)
labeltemplate.SetTextFont(theFont)
thePlot1.SetPlotLabelTemplate(labeltemplate)
thePlot1.SetLabelInOut(0, ChartObj.PIELABEL_INSLICE)
thePlot1.SetLabelInOut(1, ChartObj.PIELABEL_INSLICE)
thePlot1.SetLabelInOut(2, ChartObj.PIELABEL_INSLICE)
thePlot1.SetLabelInOut(3, ChartObj.PIELABEL_INSLICE)
thePlot1.SetLabelInOut(4, ChartObj.PIELABEL_INSLICE)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
```

# 18. Polar and Antenna Plots

**PolarPlot**
> **PolarLinePlot**
> **PolarScatterPlot**

**AntennaPlot**
> **AntennaLinePlot**
> **AntennaScatterPlot**
> **AntennaLineMarkerPlot**

Polar charts play an important in engineering applications involving electronics and advanced control systems. Polar charts give a visual interpretation to mathematical problems involving trigonometric functions and complex numbers. Antenna charts are used to display the operating characteristics of antennas.

The **PolarPlot** class is an abstract class representing plot types that use data organized as arrays of x- and y-values, where an x-value represents the magnitude of a point in polar coordinates, and the y-value represents the angle of a point in polar coordinates. Polar plots types include: line plots and scatter plots.

The polar angle values stored as the y-values in the **SimpleDataset** should be in radians. If the raw data is in degrees, convert the data to radians using the ChartSupport.**ToRadians** method.

The **AntennaPlot** class is an abstract class representing plot types that use data organized as arrays of x- and y-values, where an x-value represents the radial value of a point in antenna coordinates, and the y-value represents the angle of a point in antenna coordinates. Antenna plots types include: line plots, scatter plots, line marker plots, and annotations.

The antenna angle values stored as the y-values in the **SimpleDataset** should be specified in degrees. If the raw data is in radians, convert the data to degrees using the ChartSupport.ToDegrees method.

If you plan to create polar charts, you need to also familiarize yourself with the polar charting classes describe in the other chapters of this manual. These are the chapters on coordinate systems (**PolarCoordinates** in Chapter 4), axes (**PolarAxes** in Chapter 7), axis labels (**PolarAxesLabels** in Chapter 8) and grids (**PolarGrids** in Chapter 9). The same is true if you plan to create antenna charts. Refer to the documentation in the chapters on coordinate systems (**AntennaCoordinates** in Chapter 4) , axes (**AntennaAxes** in Chapter 7), axis labels (**AntennaAxesLabels** in Chapter 8) and grids (**AntennaGrids** in Chapter 9).

The **ChartZoom**, **MagniView,** and **MoveCoordinates** classes require a rectangular coordinate system and will not work with polar and antenna charts. The **MoveData** class does work with polar and antenna charts.

# Polar Plots

## Class PolarLinePlot
**GraphObj**
```
      |
      +--ChartPlot
            |
            +--PolarPlot
                  |
                  +-- PolarLinePlot
```
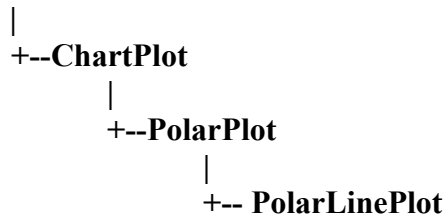
The **PolarLinePlot** class is a concrete implementation of the **PolarPlot** class and displays data in a simple line plot format. The lines drawn between adjacent data points use polar coordinate interpolation.

### PolarLinePlot constructor
```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PolarCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As SimpleDataset, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)
[C#]
public PolarLinePlot(
   PolarCoordinates transform,
   SimpleDataset dataset,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **PolarLinePlot** object. |
| *dataset* | The polar line plot represents the polar coordinate values in this dataset. The x-values of the dataset represent the magnitudes of the points and the y-values the polar angles in radians. |
| *attrib* | Specifies the attributes (line color and line style) for the line plot. |

The polar line plot class interpolates between adjacent data points in polar coordinates and not using straight lines as in the Cartesian coordinate plotting functions. This gives the lines between adjacent data points in a polar plot a curved look.

**Polar line plot and scatter plot chart (extracted from the example program PolarCharts. PolarLineAndScatterChart)**

[C#]

```csharp
int nump1 = 100;
double []mag1 = new double[nump1];
double []ang1 = new double[nump1];
int i;
for (i=0; i < nump1; i++)
{
    ang1[i] = ChartSupport.ToRadians((double)i * (360.0/ (double)nump1));
    mag1[i] = Math.Abs(30 * (Math.Sin(2*(ang1[i])) * Math.Cos(2 * (ang1[i]))));
}
theFont = new Font("SansSerif", 10,  FontStyle.Bold);
chartVu = this;

SimpleDataset Dataset1 = new SimpleDataset("First",mag1,ang1);
PolarCoordinates pPolarTransform = new PolarCoordinates();

pPolarTransform.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.25, .20, .75, 0.8) ;

Background background =
    new Background( pPolarTransform, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND,
    Color.White);
chartVu.AddChartObject(background);

pPolarTransform.AutoScale(Dataset1);
PolarAxes pPolarAxis = pPolarTransform.GetCompatibleAxes();
chartVu.AddChartObject(pPolarAxis);

PolarGrid pPolarGrid = new PolarGrid (pPolarAxis, PolarGrid.GRID_MAJOR);
chartVu.AddChartObject(pPolarGrid);

PolarAxesLabels pPolarAxisLabels = (PolarAxesLabels)
pPolarAxis.GetCompatibleAxesLabels();
chartVu.AddChartObject(pPolarAxisLabels);

ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Blue, 2,0);
PolarLinePlot thePlot1 = new PolarLinePlot(pPolarTransform, Dataset1, attrib1);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);

ChartAttribute attrib2 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Red, 1,0,Color.Red);
attrib2.SetFillFlag(true);
PolarScatterPlot thePlot2 =
        new PolarScatterPlot(pPolarTransform,  Dataset1,ChartObj.CIRCLE,attrib2);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot2);
```

[Visual Basic]

```vbnet
Dim nump1 As Integer = 100
Dim mag1(nump1 - 1) As Double
Dim ang1(nump1 - 1) As Double

Dim i As Integer
For i = 0 To nump1 - 1
  ang1(i) = ChartSupport.ToRadians((CDbl(i) * (360.0 / CDbl(nump1))))
  mag1(i) = Math.Abs((30 * (Math.Sin((2 * ang1(i))) * Math.Cos((2 * ang1(i))))))
```

```
Next i
theFont = New Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Bold)
chartVu = Me

Dim Dataset1 As New SimpleDataset("First", mag1, ang1)
Dim pPolarTransform As New PolarCoordinates()

pPolarTransform.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.25, 0.2, 0.75, 0.8)

Dim background As New Background(pPolarTransform, _
    ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND, Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(background)

pPolarTransform.AutoScale(Dataset1)
Dim pPolarAxis As PolarAxes = pPolarTransform.GetCompatibleAxes()
chartVu.AddChartObject(pPolarAxis)

Dim pPolarGrid As New PolarGrid(pPolarAxis, PolarGrid.GRID_MAJOR)
chartVu.AddChartObject(pPolarGrid)

Dim pPolarAxisLabels As PolarAxesLabels = _
    CType(pPolarAxis.GetCompatibleAxesLabels(), PolarAxesLabels)
chartVu.AddChartObject(pPolarAxisLabels)

Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 2, 0)
Dim thePlot1 As New PolarLinePlot(pPolarTransform, Dataset1, attrib1)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)

 Dim attrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Red, 1, 0, Color.Red)
 attrib2.SetFillFlag(True)
 Dim thePlot2 As New PolarScatterPlot(pPolarTransform, Dataset1, _
        ChartObj.CIRCLE, attrib2)
 chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot2)
```

# Class PolarScatterPlot

**GraphObj**
```
     |
  +--ChartPlot
         |
      +--PolarPlot
             |
          +-- PolarScatterPlot
```
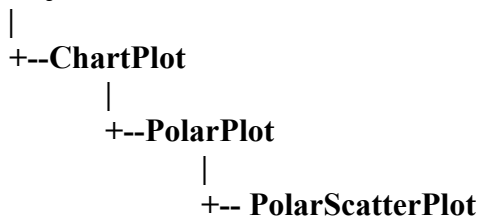
The **PolarScatterPlot** class is a concrete implementation of the **PolarPlot** class and displays data in a simple scatter plot format.

### PolarScatterPlot constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PolarCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As SimpleDataset, _
   ByVal symtype As Integer, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)
```

```
[C#]
public PolarScatterPlot(
    PolarCoordinates transform,
    SimpleDataset dataset,
    int symtype,
    ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **PolarScatterPlot** object. |
| *dataset* | The polar scatter plot represents the polar coordinate values in this dataset. The x-values of the dataset represent the magnitudes of the points and the y-values the polar angles in radians. |
| *symtype* | The symbol used in the scatter plot. Use one of the scatter plot symbol constants: NOSYMBOL, SQUARE, TRIANGLE, DIAMOND, CROSS, PLUS, STAR, LINE, HBAR, VBAR, CIRCLE. |
| *attrib* | Specifies the attributes (size, line and fill color) for the scatter plot. |

**See previous example for a programming example using PolarScatterPlot.**

# Antenna Plots

## Class AntennaLinePlot
**GraphObj**
```
        |
    +--ChartPlot
            |
        +--AntennaPlot
                |
            +-- AntennaLinePlot
```
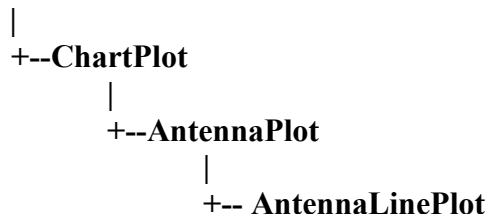
The **AntennaLinePlot** class is a concrete implementation of the **AntennaPlot** class and displays data in a simple line plot format. The lines drawn between adjacent data points use antenna coordinate interpolation.

### AntennaLinePlot constructor
```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
    ByVal transform As AntennaCoordinates, _
```

```
    ByVal dataset As SimpleDataset, _
    ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)
[C#]
public AntennaLinePlot(
    AntennaCoordinates transform,
    SimpleDataset dataset,
    ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

*transform*                The coordinate system for the new **AntennaLinePlot** object.

*dataset*                   The antenna line plot represents the antenna coordinate values in this dataset. The x-values of the dataset represent the radial values and the y-values represent the antenna angular values in degrees.

*attrib*                    Specifies the attributes (line color and line style) for the line plot.

The antenna line plot class interpolates between adjacent data points in antenna coordinates and not using straight lines as in the Cartesian coordinate plotting functions. This gives the lines between adjacent data points in a antenna plot a curved look.

**Antenna line plot and scatter plot chart (extracted from the example program AntennaCharts.AntennaLineMarkerChart)**

[C#]

```
Dataset1 = new SimpleDataset("First", mag1, ang1);
Dataset2 = new SimpleDataset("Second", mag2, ang1);

SimpleDataset[] datasetarray = { Dataset1, Dataset2 };
pAntennaTransform = new AntennaCoordinates();
pAntennaTransform.AutoScale(datasetarray, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);

pAntennaTransform.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.25, .15, .75, 0.85);

Background background = new Background(pAntennaTransform,
ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND, Color.White);
chartVu.AddChartObject(background);

AntennaAxes pAntennaAxis = pAntennaTransform.GetCompatibleAxes();
pAntennaAxis.LineColor = Color.Black;
chartVu.AddChartObject(pAntennaAxis);

AntennaGrid pAntennaGrid = new AntennaGrid(pAntennaAxis, AntennaGrid.GRID_ALL);
pAntennaGrid.ChartObjAttributes = new ChartAttribute(Color.LightBlue, 1,
DashStyle.Solid);
chartVu.AddChartObject(pAntennaGrid);

AntennaAxesLabels pAntennaAxisLabels =
(AntennaAxesLabels)pAntennaAxis.GetCompatibleAxesLabels();
chartVu.AddChartObject(pAntennaAxisLabels);

Color transparentRed = Color.FromArgb(180, 255, 0, 0);
Color transparentBlue = Color.FromArgb(180, 0, 0, 255);
ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute(transparentRed, 1, DashStyle.Solid);
attrib1.SymbolSize = 7;
ChartAttribute attrib2 = new ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 1, DashStyle.Solid,
Color.Blue);
attrib2.SymbolSize = 7;
```

```
ChartAttribute attrib3 = new ChartAttribute(Color.Yellow, 3, DashStyle.Solid,
Color.Yellow);
ChartAttribute attrib4 = new ChartAttribute(Color.MediumPurple, 2, DashStyle.Dot,
Color.MediumPurple);
AntennaLinePlot thePlot1 = new AntennaLinePlot(pAntennaTransform);
thePlot1.InitAntennaLinePlot(Dataset1, attrib1);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);

AntennaScatterPlot thePlot2 = new AntennaScatterPlot(pAntennaTransform);
thePlot2.InitAntennaScatterPlot(Dataset1, ChartObj.SQUARE, attrib2);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot2);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dataset1 = New SimpleDataset("First", mag1, ang1)
Dataset2 = New SimpleDataset("Second", mag2, ang1)
Dim datasetarray As SimpleDataset() = {Dataset1, Dataset2}
pAntennaTransform = New AntennaCoordinates()
pAntennaTransform.AutoScale(datasetarray, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)

pAntennaTransform.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.25, 0.15, 0.75, 0.85)

Dim background As New Background(pAntennaTransform, ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND,
Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(background)

Dim pAntennaAxis As AntennaAxes = pAntennaTransform.GetCompatibleAxes()
pAntennaAxis.LineColor = Color.Black
chartVu.AddChartObject(pAntennaAxis)

Dim pAntennaGrid As New AntennaGrid(pAntennaAxis, AntennaGrid.GRID_ALL)
pAntennaGrid.ChartObjAttributes = New ChartAttribute(Color.LightBlue, 1,
DashStyle.Solid)
chartVu.AddChartObject(pAntennaGrid)

Dim pAntennaAxisLabels As AntennaAxesLabels =
DirectCast(pAntennaAxis.GetCompatibleAxesLabels(), AntennaAxesLabels)
chartVu.AddChartObject(pAntennaAxisLabels)

Dim transparentRed As Color = Color.FromArgb(180, 255, 0, 0)
Dim transparentBlue As Color = Color.FromArgb(180, 0, 0, 255)

Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(transparentRed, 1, DashStyle.Solid)
attrib1.SymbolSize = 7
Dim attrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue)
attrib2.SymbolSize = 7

Dim thePlot1 As New AntennaLinePlot(pAntennaTransform)
thePlot1.InitAntennaLinePlot(Dataset1, attrib1)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
Dim thePlot2 As New AntennaScatterPlot(pAntennaTransform)
thePlot2.InitAntennaScatterPlot(Dataset1, ChartObj.SQUARE, attrib2)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot2)
```

# Class AntennaScatterPlot

**GraphObj**
```
        |
    +--ChartPlot
            |
```
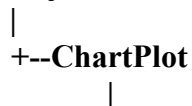
```
          +--AntennaPlot
                |
              +-- AntennaScatterPlot
```

The **AntennaScatterPlot** class is a concrete implementation of the **AntennaPlot** class and displays data in a simple scatter plot format.

### AntennaScatterPlot constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As AntennaCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As SimpleDataset, _
   ByVal symtype As Integer, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)
[C#]
public AntennaScatterPlot(
   AntennaCoordinates transform,
   SimpleDataset dataset,
   int symtype,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **AntennaScatterPlot** object. |
| *dataset* | The antenna scatter plot represents the antenna coordinate values in this dataset. The x-values of the dataset represent the radial values of the points and the y-values the angular values in degrees. |
| *symtype* | The symbol used in the scatter plot. Use one of the scatter plot symbol constants:  NOSYMBOL, SQUARE, TRIANGLE, DIAMOND, CROSS, PLUS, STAR, LINE, HBAR, VBAR, CIRCLE. |
| *attrib* | Specifies the attributes (size, line and fill color) for the scatter plot. |

**See previous example for a programming example using AttennaScatterPlot.**

## Class AntennaLineMarkerPlot
**GraphObj**
```
     |
   +--ChartPlot
         |
           +--AntennaPlot
```
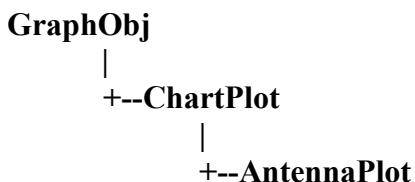
```
           |
           +-- AntennaLineMarkerPlot
```

The **AntennaLineMarkerPlot** class is a concrete implementation of the **AntennaPlot** class and displays data in a simple line marker plot format.

## AntennaScatterPlot constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As AntennaCoordinates, _
   ByVal dataset As SimpleDataset, _
   ByVal symtype As Integer, _
   ByVal lineattrib As ChartAttribute, _
   ByVal symbolattrib As ChartAttribute, _
)
[C#]
public AntennaLineMarkerPlot(
   AntennaCoordinates transform,
   SimpleDataset dataset,
   int symtype,
   ChartAttribute lineattrib,
   ChartAttribute symbolattrib,

);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **AntennaLineMarkerPlot** object. |
| *dataset* | The line marker plot represents the values in this dataset. |
| *symtype* | The symbol used in the line marker plot. Use one of the scatter plot symbol constants:  NOSYMBOL, SQUARE, TRIANGLE, DIAMOND, CROSS, PLUS, STAR, LINE, HBAR, VBAR, CIRCLE. |
| *lineattrib* | Specifies the attributes (line color and line style) for the line part of the line marker plot. |
| *symbolattrib* | Specifies the attributes (line and fill color ) for the symbol part of the line marker plot. |

**Antenna line marker plot (extracted from the example program Antenna.AntennaLineMarkerChart)**

**[C#]**
```
Color transparentRed = Color.FromArgb(180, 255, 0, 0);
```

```
Color transparentBlue = Color.FromArgb(180, 0, 0, 255);

ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute(transparentRed, 1, DashStyle.Solid);
attrib1.SymbolSize = 7;
ChartAttribute attrib2 = new ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 1, DashStyle.Solid,
Color.Blue);
attrib2.SymbolSize = 7;

ChartAttribute attrib3 = new ChartAttribute(Color.Yellow, 3, DashStyle.Solid,
Color.Yellow);
ChartAttribute attrib4 = new ChartAttribute(Color.MediumPurple, 2, DashStyle.Dot,
Color.MediumPurple);
AntennaLineMarkerPlot thePlot1 = new AntennaLineMarkerPlot(pAntennaTransform,
Dataset1, attrib1);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);

AntennaLineMarkerPlot thePlot2 = new AntennaLineMarkerPlot(pAntennaTransform,
Dataset2, attrib2);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot2);

AntennaAnnotation thePlot3 = new AntennaAnnotation(pAntennaTransform,
ChartObj.ANTENNA_ANNOTATION_ANGULAR, 180, attrib3);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot3);

AntennaAnnotation thePlot4 = new AntennaAnnotation(pAntennaTransform,
ChartObj.ANTENNA_ANNOTATION_RADIUS, 12, attrib4);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot4);
```

[VB]

```
Dim transparentRed As Color = Color.FromArgb(180, 255, 0, 0)
Dim transparentBlue As Color = Color.FromArgb(180, 0, 0, 255)


Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(transparentRed, 1, DashStyle.Solid)
attrib1.SymbolSize = 7
Dim attrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 1, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Blue)
attrib2.SymbolSize = 7


Dim thePlot1 As New AntennaLineMarkerPlot(pAntennaTransform, Dataset1, attrib1)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)

Dim thePlot2 As New AntennaLineMarkerPlot(pAntennaTransform, Dataset2, attrib2)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot2)


Dim attrib3 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Yellow, 3, DashStyle.Solid, Color.Yellow)
Dim attrib4 As New ChartAttribute(Color.MediumPurple, 2, DashStyle.Dot,
Color.MediumPurple)
Dim thePlot3 As New AntennaAnnotation(pAntennaTransform,
ChartObj.ANTENNA_ANNOTATION_ANGULAR, 180, attrib3)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot3)
Dim thePlot4 As New AntennaAnnotation(pAntennaTransform, ChartObj.
ANTENNA_ANNOTATION_RADIUS, 12, attrib4)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot4)
```

# Class AntennaAnnotation

**GraphObj**
        |
    **+--AntennaAnnotation**

The **AntennaAnnotation** class is used to highlight either a specific radius or angular value in an antenna chart. The radius is highlighted using a circle, and the angular value is highlighted using a line draw from the origin to the outer edge of the antenna chart.
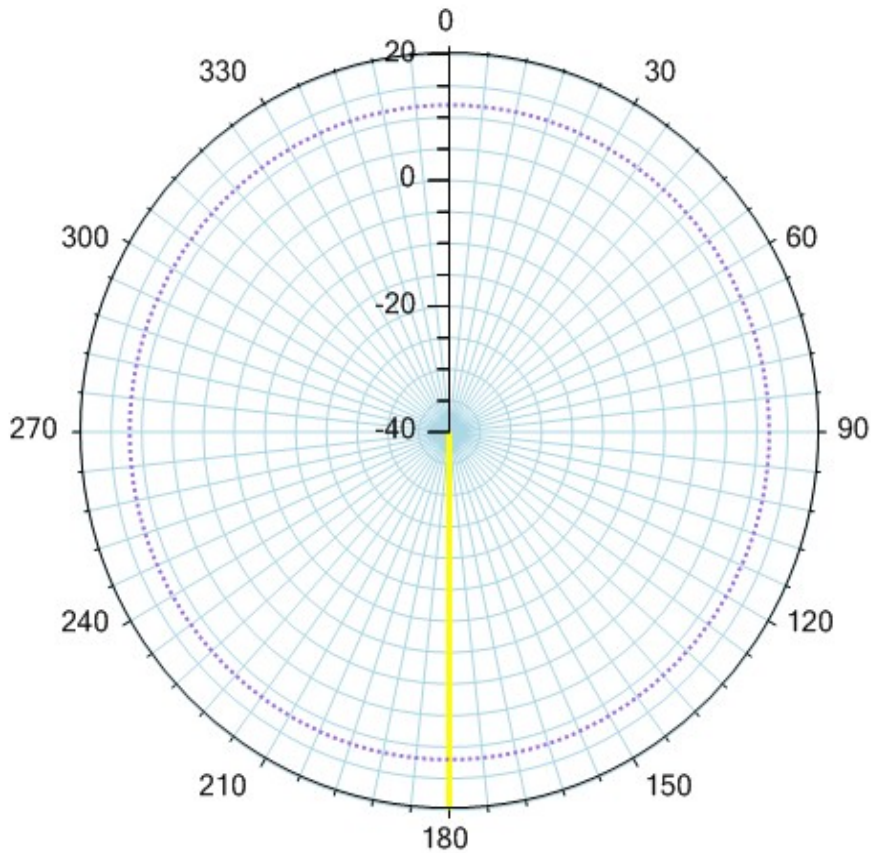


*Two annotations – a radius annotations (dotted blue line) at the radial value 12, and an angular annotations (solid yellow line) at the angular value 180 degrees.*

**AntennaAnnotationPlot constructor**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As AntennaCoordinates, _
   ByVal annotationtype As Integer, _
   ByVal value As Double, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)
[C#]
public AntennaAnnotation(
   AntennaCoordinates transform,
   int annotationtype,
   double value,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

*transform*            The coordinate system for the new **AntennaScatterPlot** object.

*annotationtype*       The annotation type. Use one of the annotation type constants: ANTENNA_ANNOTATION_ANGULAR (draws a radial line at the specified angular value, from the orign to the outer edge of the antenna chart, or ANTENNA_ANNOTATION_RADIUS (draws a circle at the specified radius value).

*value*                The value of the annotation. For an angular annotation, specify the value in degrees. For a radial annotation, specify a value within the range of the antenna minimum and maximum radial values.

*attrib*               Specifies the attributes (size, line and fill color) for the annotation.

**See previous example for a programming example using AntennaAnnotationPlot.**

# 19. Legends

**Legend**
> **StandardLegend**
> **BubblePlotLegend**

Charts containing multiple chart objects, line plots, bar graphs and scatter plots for example, usually require a legend. The legend provides a key so that the viewer of the chart can figure out what data is associated with what chart object. The bounding box of the legend is rectangular and can reside anywhere in the chart window: inside the plot area, overlapping it or completely outside. The legend rectangle can have a border and can be filled with a solid color or left transparent. The legend object can hold one or more legend items, where each legend item is a symbol-text string combination providing the key for one of the plot objects in the graph. The legend can also have a title and footer.

The **Legend** class is the abstract base class for chart legends. It organizes a collection of legend items as a rectangular object.

The **StandardLegend** is a concrete implementation of the **Legend** class and it is the primary legend class for all plot objects except for bubble plots. The legend items objects display in a row or column format. Each legend item contains a symbol and descriptive string. The symbol normally associates the legend item to a particular plot object, and the descriptive string describes what the plot object represents.

The **BubblePlotLegend** is a concrete implementation of the **Legend** class and it is the legend class for bubble plots. The legend items objects display as offset, concentric circles with descriptive text giving the key for the value associated with a bubble of this size.

## Standard Legends

### Class StandardLegend
**GraphObj**
> |
> +-- **StandardLegend**

The **StandardLegend** is the primary legend class for all plot objects except for bubble plots. The class manages a list of **LegendItems** that holds the symbols and descriptive text for the symbols.

## StandardLegend constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal rx As Double, _
   ByVal ry As Double, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute, _
   ByVal nlayout1mode As Integer _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal rx As Double, _
   ByVal ry As Double, _
   ByVal rwidth As Double, _
   ByVal rheight As Double, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute, _
   ByVal nlayout1mode As Integer _
)

[C#]
public StandardLegend(
   double rx,
   double ry,
   ChartAttribute attrib,
   int nlayout1mode
);

public StandardLegend(
   double rx,
   double ry,
   double rwidth,
   double rheight,
   ChartAttribute attrib,
   int nlayout1mode
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *rx* | The x-position, in chart normalized coordinates, of the legend rectangle. |
| *ry* | The y-position, in chart normalized coordinates, of the legend rectangle. |
| *rwidth* | The width, in chart normalized coordinates, of the legend rectangle. |
| *rheight* | The height, in chart normalized coordinates, of the legend rectangle. |
| *attrib* | Specifies the outline color, outline line style, and fill color for the legend rectangle. |
| *nlayoutmode* | Specifies if the legend has a horizontal, or vertical layout. Use one of the orientation constants: HORIZ_DIR (row major) or VERT_DIR (column major). |

Add legend items to a legend using one of the AddLegendItem methods.

**AddLegendItem methods**

[Visual Basic]

```
Overloads Public Function AddLegendItem( _
    ByVal stext As String, _
    ByVal nsymbol As Integer, _
    ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute, _
    ByVal thefont As Font _
) As Integer

Overloads Public Function AddLegendItem( _
    ByVal stext As String, _
    ByVal symbolshape As GraphicsPath, _
    ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute, _
    ByVal thefont As Font _
) As Integer

Overloads Public Function AddLegendItem( _
    ByVal legenditem As LegendItem _
) As Integer

Overloads Public Function AddLegendItem( _
    ByVal stext As String, _
    ByVal nsymbol As Integer, _
    ByVal chartobj As GraphObj, _
    ByVal thefont As Font _
) As Integer

Overloads Public Function AddLegendItem( _
    ByVal stext As String, _
    ByVal symbolshape As GraphicsPath, _
    ByVal chartobj As GraphObj, _
    ByVal thefont As Font _
) As Integer

Overloads Public Function AddLegendItem( _
    ByVal stext As String, _
    ByVal nsymbol As Integer, _
    ByVal chartobj As ChartPlot, _
    ByVal ngroup As Integer, _
    ByVal thefont As Font _
) As Integer
```

[C#]

```
public int AddLegendItem(
    string stext,
    int nsymbol,
    ChartAttribute attrib,
    Font thefont
);

public int AddLegendItem(
    string stext,
    GraphicsPath symbolshape,
    ChartAttribute attrib,
    Font thefont
);

public int AddLegendItem(
```

```
    LegendItem legenditem
);

public int AddLegendItem(
    string stext,
    int nsymbol,
    GraphObj chartobj,
    Font thefont
);

public int AddLegendItem(
    string stext,
    GraphicsPath symbolshape,
    GraphObj chartobj,
    Font thefont
);

public int AddLegendItem(
    string stext,
    int nsymbol,
    ChartPlot chartobj,
    int ngroup,
    Font thefont
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *stext* | Specifies the text string for the legend item. |
| *nsymbol* | Specifies the symbol for the legend item. Use one of the chart symbol constants:  NOSYMBOL, SQUARE, TRIANGLE, DIAMOND, CROSS, PLUS, STAR, LINE, HBAR, VBAR, or CIRCLE. |
| *chartobj* | The color and fill attributes for the legend item are copied from the attributes of this **ChartPlot** object. |
| *symbolshape* | Specifies a user defined shape to use as the legend item symbol. |
| *attrib* | Specifies the **ChartAttribute** object to get the color and fill attributes of the legend item. |
| *thefont* | Specifies the text font for the legend item. |

The AddLegendItem returns the current number of legend items.

**Simple legend example (extracted from the example program PolarCharts, class PolarLineFillAndScatterChart)**

[C#]

.
.
.

```
SimpleLinePlot thePlot1 =
    new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, attrib1);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);
.
.
.
SimpleLinePlot thePlot2 =
    new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset2, attrib2);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot2);
.
.
.
SimpleLinePlot thePlot3 =
        new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset3, profitAttrib);
.
.
.
Font legendFont = new Font("SansSerif", 14, FontStyle.Bold);
ChartAttribute legendAttributes =
    new ChartAttribute(Color.Gray, 1,
    DashStyle.Solid, Color.FromArgb(155,155,155));
legendAttributes.SetFillFlag(true);
legendAttributes.SetLineFlag(true);
StandardLegend legend =
        new StandardLegend(0.2, 0.15, 0.3, 0.3,
            legendAttributes, StandardLegend.VERT_DIR);
legend.AddLegendItem("Expenses",ChartObj.LINE, thePlot1, legendFont);
legend.AddLegendItem("Revenue", ChartObj.LINE, thePlot2, legendFont);
legend.AddLegendItem("Profit", ChartObj.HBAR, thePlot3, legendFont);
legend.AddLegendItem("Loss", ChartObj.HBAR, lossAttrib, legendFont);

chartVu.AddChartObject(legend);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim thePlot1 As SimpleLinePlot = New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, _
        Dataset1,  attrib1)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)
.
.
.
Dim thePlot2 As SimpleLinePlot = New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, _
        Dataset2, attrib2)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot2)
.
.
.
Dim thePlot3 As SimpleLinePlot = New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, _
          Dataset3, profitAttrib)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot3)
.
.
.
Dim legendFont As New Font("SansSerif", 14, FontStyle.Bold)
Dim legendAttributes As New ChartAttribute(Color.Gray, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.FromArgb(155, 155, 155))
legendAttributes.SetFillFlag(True)
legendAttributes.SetLineFlag(True)
' Undersized legend rectangle tests auto legend rectangle.
Dim legend As New StandardLegend(0.2, 0.15, 0.25, 0.3, _
        legendAttributes, StandardLegend.VERT_DIR)
legend.AddLegendItem("Expenses", ChartObj.LINE, thePlot1, legendFont)
legend.AddLegendItem("Revenue", ChartObj.LINE, thePlot2, legendFont)
legend.AddLegendItem("Profit", ChartObj.HBAR, thePlot3, legendFont)
legend.AddLegendItem("Loss", ChartObj.HBAR, lossAttrib, legendFont)
 chartVu.AddChartObject(legend)
```

# Bubble Plot Legends

## Class BubblePlotLegend

**GraphObj**
```
    |
    +-- BubblePlotLegend
```

The **BubblePlotLegend** is the primary legend class for bubble plots. The class manages a list of **BubblePlotLegendItem** that holds the symbols and descriptive text for the symbols.

### BubblePlotLegend constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal plot As BubblePlot, _
   ByVal rx As Double, _
   ByVal ry As Double, _
   ByVal rwidth As Double, _
   ByVal rheight As Double, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal plot As BubblePlot, _
   ByVal rx As Double, _
   ByVal ry As Double, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)


[C#]
public BubblePlotLegend(
   BubblePlot plot,
   double rx,
   double ry,
   double rwidth,
   double rheight,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);


public BubblePlotLegend(
   BubblePlot plot,
   double rx,
   double ry,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *plot* | The bubble plot object the legend is associated with. |
| *rx* | The x-position, in chart normalized coordinates, of the legend rectangle. |
| *ry* | The y-position, in chart normalized coordinates, of the legend rectangle. |

| *rwidth* | The width, in chart normalized coordinates, of the legend rectangle. |
|---|---|
| *rheight* | The height, in chart normalized coordinates, of the legend rectangle. |
| *attrib* | Specifies the outline color, outline line style, and fill color for the legend rectangle. |

Add legend items to a legend using one of the AddLegendItem methods.

## AddLegendItem methods

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Function AddLegendItem( _
   ByVal stext As String, _
   ByVal rsize As Double, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute, _
   ByVal thefont As Font _
) As Integer

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal plot As BubblePlot, _
   ByVal rx As Double, _
   ByVal ry As Double, _
   ByVal rwidth As Double, _
   ByVal rheight As Double, _
   ByVal attrib As ChartAttribute _
)

[C#]
public int AddLegendItem(
   string stext,
   double rsize,
   ChartAttribute attrib,
   Font thefont
);

public BubblePlotLegend(
   BubblePlot plot,
   double rx,
   double ry,
   double rwidth,
   double rheight,
   ChartAttribute attrib
);
```

| *stext* | Specifies the text string for the legend item. |
|---|---|
| *rsize* | Specifies the size of the bubble for this item, in the same units as the coordinate system the bubble plot is placed in. |
| *chartobj* | The color and fill attributes for the legend item are copied from the attributes of this chart object. |
| *thefont* | Specifies the text font for the legend item. |

The method returns the current number of legend items.

## Simple legend example (extracted from the example program ScatterPlots, class BubbleChart)

[C#]

.
.
.

```csharp
ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 0,DashStyle.Solid);
attrib1.SetFillColor (Color.FromArgb(177, 33, 33));
attrib1.SetFillFlag (true);
BubblePlot thePlot1 = new BubblePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1,
        ChartObj.SIZE_BUBBLE_RADIUS, attrib1);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);

Font theTitleFont = new Font("SansSerif", 14, FontStyle.Bold);
ChartTitle mainTitle = new ChartTitle(pTransform1, theTitleFont,
        "DOT COM Bankruptcies and CEO Compensation");
mainTitle.SetTitleType(ChartObj.CHART_HEADER);
mainTitle.SetTitlePosition( ChartObj.CENTER_GRAPH);
chartVu.AddChartObject(mainTitle);

Font theFooterFont = new Font("SansSerif", 10,  FontStyle.Bold);
ChartTitle footer = new ChartTitle(pTransform1, theFooterFont,
"The size (radius or area) of the bubble adds an additional dimension to the
graph.");

ChartAttribute attrib2 =
        new ChartAttribute (Color.FromArgb(177, 33, 33), 0,DashStyle.Solid);
attrib1.SetFillColor (Color.FromArgb(177, 33, 33));
Font legendFont = new Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Regular);
ChartAttribute legendAttributes =
        new ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.White);
legendAttributes.SetFillFlag(true);
legendAttributes.SetLineFlag(true);

BubblePlotLegend legend =
        new BubblePlotLegend(thePlot1, 0.82, 0.15, 0.14, 0.25, legendAttributes);
legend.AddLegendItem("$10 Million",10, attrib2, legendFont);
legend.AddLegendItem("$25 Million", 25, attrib2, legendFont);
legend.AddLegendItem("$40 Million", 40, attrib2, legendFont);
legend.AddLegendGeneralText(ChartObj.LEGEND_HEADER,
            "Bubble Size", Color.Black, legendFont);
chartVu.AddChartObject(legend);
```

[Visual Basic]

.
.
.

```vbnet
Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 0, DashStyle.Solid)
attrib1.SetFillColor(Color.FromArgb(177, 33, 33))
attrib1.SetFillFlag(True)
```

```
Dim thePlot1 As New BubblePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, _
        ChartObj.SIZE_BUBBLE_RADIUS, attrib1)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)

Dim theTitleFont As New Font("SansSerif", 14, FontStyle.Bold)
Dim mainTitle As New ChartTitle(pTransform1, theTitleFont, _
        "DOT COM Bankruptcies and CEO Compensation")
mainTitle.SetTitleType(ChartObj.CHART_HEADER)
mainTitle.SetTitlePosition(ChartObj.CENTER_GRAPH)
chartVu.AddChartObject(mainTitle)

Dim theFooterFont As New Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Bold)
Dim footer As New ChartTitle(pTransform1, theFooterFont, _
        "The size (radius or area) of the bubble adds an additional dimension to
the graph.")
footer.SetTitleType(ChartObj.CHART_FOOTER)
footer.SetTitlePosition(ChartObj.CENTER_GRAPH)
footer.SetTitleOffset(8)
footer.SetColor(Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(footer)

Dim attrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.FromArgb(177, 33, 33), 0, DashStyle.Solid)
attrib1.SetFillColor(Color.FromArgb(177, 33, 33))
Dim legendFont As New Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Regular)
Dim legendAttributes As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.White)
legendAttributes.SetFillFlag(True)
legendAttributes.SetLineFlag(True)

Dim legend As New BubblePlotLegend(thePlot1, 0.82, 0.15, 0.14, 0.25, _
legendAttributes)
legend.AddLegendItem("$10 Million", 10, attrib2, legendFont)
legend.AddLegendItem("$25 Million", 25, attrib2, legendFont)
legend.AddLegendItem("$40 Million", 40, attrib2, legendFont)
legend.AddLegendGeneralText(ChartObj.LEGEND_HEADER, "Bubble Size", _
        Color.Black, legendFont)
chartVu.AddChartObject(legend)
```

# 20. Text Classes

**ChartText**
      **ChartTitle**
      **AxisTitle**
      **ChartLabel**
            **StringLabel**
            **TimeLabel**
            **NumericLabel**
            **ElapsedTimeLabel**

The software uses the **ChartText** classes to position and format text in a chart. Examples of classes derived from the **ChartText** include the **ChartLabel**, **AxisLabels**, **ChartTitle**, and **AxisTitle** classes. The **Legend, PieChart** and **ChartPlot** classes, while not derived from the text classes, use them internally.

## Simple Text Classes

### Class ChartText
**GraphObj**
      |
      **+--ChartText**

The **ChartText** class is the base class for all text output classes. The **ChartText** class formats and places text in a chart. Position the **ChartText** objects using any of the coordinate systems. Rotate and justify the text vertically and horizontally. Insert a CR (carriage return, ASCII 13) character at line breaks for multiline text. The most common constructors are:

**ChartText constructors**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal tfont As Font, _
   ByVal tstring As String, _
   ByVal x As Double, _
   ByVal y As Double, _
   ByVal npostype As Integer, _
   ByVal xjust As Integer, _
   ByVal yjust As Integer, _
   ByVal rotation As Integer _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal tfont As Font, _
   ByVal tstring As String, _
   ByVal x As Double, _
```

```
    ByVal y As Double, _
    ByVal npostype As Integer _
)

[C#]
public ChartText(
    PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    Font tfont,
    string tstring,
    double x,
    double y,
    int npostype,
    int xjust,
    int yjust,
    int rotation
);

public ChartText(
    PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    Font tfont,
    string tstring,
    double x,
    double y,
    int npostype
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | Places the text in the coordinate system defined by transform. |
| *tfont* | A reference to a **Font** object. |
| *tstring* | A reference to a string object. |
| *x* | Specifies the x-value of the text position |
| *y* | Specifies the y-value of the text position |
| *npostype* | Specifies the if the position of the text is specified in physical coordinates, normalized coordinates or .Net device coordinates. Use one of the position constants: DEV_POS, PHYS_POS, NORM_GRAPH_POS, NORM_PLOT_POS. |
| *xjust* | Specifies the horizontal justification of the text. Use one of the text justification constants: JUSTIFY_MIN, JUSTIFY_CENTER or JUSTIFY_MAX. |
| *yjust* | Specifies the vertical justification of the text. Use one of the text justification constants: JUSTIFY_MIN, JUSTIFY_CENTER or JUSTIFY_MAX. |
| *rotation* | The rotation (-360 to 360 degrees) of the text in the normal viewing plane. |

Place text in is a time coordinate system (**TimeCoordinates**) by converting the time x-position to milliseconds and using the milliseconds as the x-position value.

**ChartText example (extracted from the example program MultiLinePlots, class Multilines)**

[C#]

.
.
.

```
Font theLabelFont = new Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Bold);
ChartText currentLabel1 = new ChartText(pTransform1, theLabelFont,
            "I(b) = 50uA", 15.5, y1[0,85]+1 , ChartObj.PHYS_POS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(currentLabel1);

ChartText currentLabel2 = new ChartText(pTransform1, theLabelFont,
              "I(b) = 100uA", 15.5, y1[1,85]+1 , ChartObj.PHYS_POS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(currentLabel2);

ChartText currentLabel3 = new ChartText(pTransform1, theLabelFont,
            "I(b) = 150uA",15.5, y1[2,85]+1 , ChartObj.PHYS_POS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(currentLabel3);

ChartText currentLabel4 = new ChartText(pTransform1, theLabelFont,
            "I(b) = 200uA", 15.5, y1[3,85]+1 , ChartObj.PHYS_POS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(currentLabel4);

ChartText currentLabel5 = new ChartText(pTransform1, theLabelFont,
            "I(b) = 250uA", 15.5, y1[4,85]+1 , ChartObj.PHYS_POS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(currentLabel5);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim theLabelFont As New Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Bold)
Dim currentLabel1 As New ChartText(pTransform1, theLabelFont, "I(b) = 50uA", _
        15.5, y1(0, 85) + 1, ChartObj.PHYS_POS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(currentLabel1)

Dim currentLabel2 As New ChartText(pTransform1, theLabelFont, "I(b) = 100uA", _
        15.5, y1(1, 85) + 1, ChartObj.PHYS_POS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(currentLabel2)

Dim currentLabel3 As New ChartText(pTransform1, theLabelFont, "I(b) = 150uA", _
        15.5, y1(2, 85) + 1, ChartObj.PHYS_POS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(currentLabel3)

Dim currentLabel4 As New ChartText(pTransform1, theLabelFont, "I(b) = 200uA", _
        15.5, y1(3, 85) + 1, ChartObj.PHYS_POS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(currentLabel4)

Dim currentLabel5 As New ChartText(pTransform1, theLabelFont, "I(b) = 250uA", _
        15.5, y1(4, 85) + 1, ChartObj.PHYS_POS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(currentLabel5)

Dim currentLabel6 As New ChartText(pTransform1, theLabelFont, "I(b) = 300uA", _
        15.5, y1(5, 85) + 1, ChartObj.PHYS_POS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(currentLabel6)

Dim currentLabel7 As New ChartText(pTransform1, theLabelFont, "I(b) = 350uA", _
        15.5, y1(6, 85) + 1, ChartObj.PHYS_POS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(currentLabel7)

Dim regionLabel As New ChartText(pTransform1, theLabelFont, _
        "Linear" + ControlChars.Lf + "Region", 4.0, 40, ChartObj.PHYS_POS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(regionLabel)
```

**ChartText time coordinates example (extracted from the example program MiscCharts, class LineGap)**

[C#]

```
Font theLabelFont = new Font("SansSerif", 14, FontStyle.Bold);
ChartText chartLabel1 = new ChartText(pTransform1,
            theLabelFont, "Sales", xValues[1].GetCalendarMsecs(),
            groupBarData[1,1], ChartObj.PHYS_POS);
chartLabel1.SetColor(Color.White);
chartLabel1.SetYJust(ChartObj.AXIS_MIN);
chartVu.AddChartObject(chartLabel1);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim theLabelFont As New Font("SansSerif", 14, FontStyle.Bold)
Dim chartLabel1 As New ChartText(pTransform1, theLabelFont, "Sales", _
        xValues(1).GetCalendarMsecs(), groupBarData(1, 1), ChartObj.PHYS_POS)
chartLabel1.SetColor(Color.White)
chartLabel1.SetYJust(ChartObj.AXIS_MIN)
chartVu.AddChartObject(chartLabel1)
```

# Chart Title Classes

## Class ChartTitle

**ChartText**
```
    |
    +--ChartTitle
```

The **ChartTitle** class creates a header, subheader or footer for a chart. The most common constructors are:

### ChartTitle constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal tfont As Font, _
   ByVal tstring As String _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal tfont As Font, _
   ByVal tstring As String, _
   ByVal ntitletype As Integer, _
   ByVal ntitlepos As Integer _
)

[C#]
public ChartTitle(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   Font tfont,
   string tstring
);

public ChartTitle(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   Font tfont,
```

```
    string tstring,
    int ntitletype,
    int ntitlepos
);
```

*transform*              Places the text in the coordinate system defined by transform.

*tfont*                  A reference to a **Font** object.

*tstring*                A reference to a string object.

*ntitletype*             The title can be a header, subhead or footer. Use one of the title
                         type constants:  CHART_HEADER, CHART_SUBHEAD or
                         CHART_FOOTER.

*ntitlepos*              The title can be centered with respect to the entire graph area, or
                         the plot area. Use one of the title position constants:
                         CENTER_GRAPH or CENTER_PLOT.

**ChartTitle example (extracted from the example program SimpleLinePlots, class LineFill)**

[C#]

```
.
.
.
Font theTitleFont = new Font("SansSerif", 16, FontStyle.Bold);
mainTitle = new ChartTitle(pTransform1, theTitleFont, "Profits are Expected to
Rise");
mainTitle.SetTitleType(ChartObj.CHART_HEADER);
mainTitle.SetTitlePosition( ChartObj.CENTER_GRAPH);
mainTitle.SetColor(Color.White);
chartVu.AddChartObject(mainTitle);
Font theFooterFont = new Font("SansSerif", 9, FontStyle.Bold);
footer = new ChartTitle(pTransform1, theFooterFont,
    "Graphs can have background gradients, semi-transparent colors, legends,
titles and data tooltips.");
footer.SetTitleType(ChartObj.CHART_FOOTER);
footer.SetTitlePosition( ChartObj.CENTER_GRAPH);
footer.SetTitleOffset(8);
footer.SetColor(Color.White);
chartVu.AddChartObject(footer);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim theTitleFont As New Font("SansSerif", 16, FontStyle.Bold)
mainTitle = New ChartTitle(pTransform1, theTitleFont, _
        "Profits are Expected to Rise")
mainTitle.SetTitleType(ChartObj.CHART_HEADER)
mainTitle.SetTitlePosition(ChartObj.CENTER_GRAPH)
mainTitle.SetColor(Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(mainTitle)

Dim theFooterFont As New Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Bold)
footer = New ChartTitle(pTransform1, theFooterFont, _
        "Graphs can have background gradients, semi-transparent colors, legends,
titles and data tooltips.")
footer.SetTitleType(ChartObj.CHART_FOOTER)
footer.SetTitlePosition(ChartObj.CENTER_GRAPH)
```

```
footer.SetTitleOffset(8)
footer.SetColor(Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(footer)
```

# Class AxisTitle

**ChartText**
      |
      **+--AxisTitle**

The **AxisTitle** class creates a title for an axis. The text is horizontal for x-axis titles and vertical for y-axis titles. The most common constructor is:

**AxisTitle Constructor**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal axis As Axis, _
   ByVal thefont As Font, _
   ByVal s As String _
)
[C#]
public AxisTitle(
   Axis axis,
   Font thefont,
   string s
);
```

*axis*               The base axis this title is associated with.

*thefont*          The font object used to display the axis title.

*s*                Sets the title string.

**ChartTitle example (extracted from the example program LabeledDatapoints, class LabeledDatapoints)**

[C#]

```
.
.
.
LinearAxis yAxis = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis);

NumericAxisLabels xAxisLab = new NumericAxisLabels(xAxis);
xAxisLab.SetTextFont(theFont);
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab);

NumericAxisLabels yAxisLab = new NumericAxisLabels(yAxis);
yAxisLab.SetTextFont(theFont);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab);
```

```
Font titleFont = new Font("SansSerif", 12, FontStyle.Bold);
AxisTitle yaxistitle = new AxisTitle( yAxis, titleFont, "Test Score");
chartVu.AddChartObject(yaxistitle);

AxisTitle xaxistitle = new AxisTitle( xAxis, titleFont, "Student #");
chartVu.AddChartObject(xaxistitle);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xAxis As New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.X_AXIS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)

Dim yAxis As New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis)

Dim xAxisLab As New NumericAxisLabels(xAxis)
xAxisLab.SetTextFont(theFont)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab)

Dim yAxisLab As New NumericAxisLabels(yAxis)
yAxisLab.SetTextFont(theFont)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab)

Dim titleFont As New Font("SansSerif", 12, FontStyle.Bold)
Dim yaxistitle As New AxisTitle(yAxis, titleFont, "Test Score")
chartVu.AddChartObject(yaxistitle)

Dim xaxistitle As New AxisTitle(xAxis, titleFont, "Student #")
chartVu.AddChartObject(xaxistitle)
```

# Numeric, Time, Elapsed Time and String Label Classes

## Class ChartLabel

**ChartText**
```
        |
    +-- ChartLabel
            |
            +--StringLabel
            |
            +--TimeLabel
            |
            +--ElapsedTimeLabel
            |
            +--NumericLabel
```
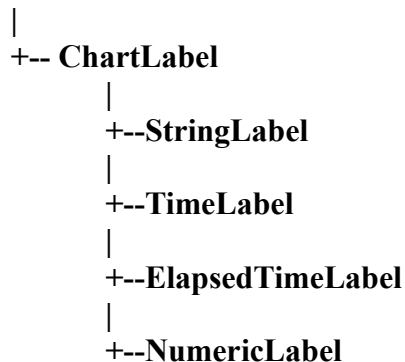
The **ChartLabel** class is the abstract base class for all of the formatted label classes. The axis label classes use formatted labels to label the axis tick marks. They are also useful for chart annotations. Position the objects using any of the coordinate systems. Rotate and justify the text vertically and horizontally.

### NumericLabel constructors

```
 [Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal tfont As Font, _
   ByVal initialvalue1 As Double, _
   ByVal x As Double, _
   ByVal y As Double, _
   ByVal npostype As Integer, _
   ByVal nnumformat As Integer, _
   ByVal ndecimal As Integer _
)
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal tfont As Font, _
   ByVal initialvalue1 As Double, _
   ByVal x As Double, _
   ByVal y As Double, _
   ByVal npostype As Integer, _
   ByVal nnumformat As Integer, _
   ByVal ndecimal As Integer, _
   ByVal xjust As Integer, _
   ByVal yjust As Integer, _
   ByVal rotation As Double _
)

[C#]
public NumericLabel(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   Font tfont,
   double initialvalue1,
   double x,
   double y,
   int npostype,
   int nnumformat,
   int ndecimal
);


public NumericLabel(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   Font tfont,
   double initialvalue1,
   double x,
   double y,
   int npostype,
   int nnumformat,
   int ndecimal,
   int xjust,
   int yjust,
   double rotation
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | Places the text in the coordinate system defined by transform. |
| *tfont* | A reference to a Font object. |
| *initialvalue* | The initial value of the numeric label. |
| *x* | Specifies the x-value of the text position |
| *y* | Specifies the y-value of the text position |
| *npostype* | Specifies the if the position of the text is specified in physical coordinates, normalized coordinates |

|  |  |
|---|---|
|  | or .Net device coordinates.  Use one of the position constants: DEV_POS, PHYS_POS, NORM_GRAPH_POS,  NORM_PLOT_POS. |
| *nnumformat* | Specifies the numeric format of the label. Use one of the numeric format constants : DECIMALFORMAT, SCIENTIFICFORMAT, BUSINESSFORMAT, ENGINEERINGFORMAT, PERCENTFORMAT, CURRENCEYFORMAT and EXPONENTFORMAT. |
| *ndecimal* | The number of digits to display to the right of the decimal point. |
| *xjust* | Specifies the horizontal justification of the text. Use one of the text justification constants: JUSTIFY_MIN, JUSTIFY_CENTER or JUSTIFY_MAX. |
| *yjust* | Specifies the vertical justification of the text. Use one of the text justification constants: JUSTIFY_MIN, JUSTIFY_CENTER or JUSTIFY_MAX. |
| *rotation* | The rotation (-360 to 360 degrees) of the text in the normal viewing plane. |

The **TimeLabel, ElapsedTimeLabel** and **StringLabel** classes are similar, unique properties for each are listed below.

## TimeLabel constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal date As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal timeformat As Integer _
)

Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal tfont As Font, _
   ByVal date As ChartCalendar, _
   ByVal x As Double, _
   ByVal y As Double, _
   ByVal npostype As Integer, _
   ByVal timeformat As Integer, _
   ByVal xjust As Integer, _
   ByVal yjust As Integer, _
   ByVal rotation As Double _
)


[C#]
public TimeLabel(
```

```
    PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    ChartCalendar date,
    int timeformat
);

public TimeLabel(
    PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    Font tfont,
    ChartCalendar date,
    double x,
    double y,
    int npostype,
    int timeformat,
    int xjust,
    int yjust,
    double rotation
);
```

*date*                     The calendar value used to initialize the label.

*timeformat*               The format used to convert the calendar value to a text string. Use one of the calendar format constants, TIMEDATEFORMAT_XXX.

## ElapsedTimeLabel constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
    ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
    ByVal timespan As TimeSpan, _
    ByVal timeformat As Integer _
)


Visual Basic (Declaration)
Public Sub New ( _
    transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
    tfont As Font, _
    timespan As TimeSpan, _
    x As Double, _
    y As Double, _
    npostype As Integer, _
    timeformat As Integer, _
    xjust As Integer, _
    yjust As Integer, _
    rotation As Double _
)

C#
public ElapsedTimeLabel (
    PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    ChartCalendar date,
    int timeformat
);

public ElapsedTimeLabel(
    PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    Font tfont,
    TimeSpan timespan,
    double x,
    double y,
```

```
    int npostype,
    int timeformat,
    int xjust,
    int yjust,
    double rotation
)
```

*timespan*            The time span value used to initialize the label.

*timeformat*          The format used to convert the time span value to a text stringUse
                      one of the TIMEDATAFORMAT_ constants:
                      TIMEDATEFORMAT_NONE, TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMS,
                      TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HM, TIMEDATEFORMAT_MS.

## StringLabel constructors

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal tfont As Font, _
   ByVal tstring As String, _
   ByVal x As Double, _
   ByVal y As Double, _
   ByVal npostype As Integer _
)
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal tfont As Font, _
   ByVal tstring As String, _
   ByVal x As Double, _
   ByVal y As Double, _
   ByVal npostype As Integer, _
   ByVal xjust As Integer, _
   ByVal yjust As Integer, _
   ByVal rotation As Double _
)

[C#]
public StringLabel(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   Font tfont,
   string tstring,
   double x,
   double y,
   int npostype
);

public StringLabel(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   Font tfont,
   string tstring,
   double x,
   double y,
   int npostype,
   int xjust,
   int yjust,
   double rotation
);
```

*tstring*                   A reference to a string object.

Place text in a time coordinate system (**TimeCoordinates**) by converting the time x-position to milliseconds and using the milliseconds as the x-position value.

## NumericLabel and StringLabel example (extracted from the example program MouseListeners, class MoveDatapoints)

[C#]

```csharp
class1Average = Dataset1.GetAverageY();
class2Average = Dataset2.GetAverageY();

StringLabel class1Label =
    new StringLabel(pTransform1, subheadFont, "Class #1" + "\n" +  "Average",
            0.9, 0.3, ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(class1Label);

class1AverageLabel =
    new NumericLabel(pTransform1, subheadFont, class1Average,
            0.9, 0.35, ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS, ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT,1);
chartVu.AddChartObject(class1AverageLabel);

StringLabel class2Label =
    new StringLabel(pTransform1, subheadFont, "Class #2" + "\n" +  "Average",
            0.9, 0.5, ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(class2Label);

class2AverageLabel = new NumericLabel(pTransform1, subheadFont, class2Average,
            0.9, 0.55, ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS, ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT,1);
chartVu.AddChartObject(class2AverageLabel);
```

[Visual Basic]

```vb
class1Average = Dataset1.GetAverageY()
class2Average = Dataset2.GetAverageY()

Dim class1Label As New StringLabel(pTransform1, subheadFont, _
        "Class #1" + ControlChars.Lf + "Average", 0.9, 0.3, _
        ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS)
chartVu.AddChartObject(class1Label)

class1AverageLabel = New NumericLabel(pTransform1, subheadFont, _
        class1Average, 0.9, 0.35, ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS, _
        ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT, 1)
chartVu.AddChartObject(class1AverageLabel)

Dim class2Label As New StringLabel(pTransform1, subheadFont, _
        "Class #2" + ControlChars.Lf + "Average", 0.9, 0.5, _
        ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS)
hartVu.AddChartObject(class2Label)
```

```
class2AverageLabel = New NumericLabel(pTransform1, subheadFont, _
        class2Average, 0.9, 0.55, ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS, _
        ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT, 1)
chartVu.AddChartObject(class2AverageLabel)
```

```
class2AverageLabel = New NumericLabel(pTransform1, subheadFont, _
        class2Average, 0.9, 0.55, ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS, _
        ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT, 1)
chartVu.AddChartObject(class2AverageLabel)
```

# 21. Dataset Viewers

**DatasetViewer**

Charts and data grids are probably the two most popular ways to display numeric data. While .Net includes some basic grid controls, they tend to be hard to use and database oriented. We have created our own grid class that integrates with our chart dataset classes. The **DatasetViewer** can display simple numeric and time-based datasets (**SimpleDataset**, **TimeSimpleDataset, ElapsedTimeSimpleDataset**) and group numeric and time-based datasets (**GroupDataset**, **TimeGroupsDataset, ElapsedTimeGroupDataset**). When a **DatasetViewer** is added to a chart, it can be printed as part of that chart. Background colors, row and column headers, can be customized. The **DatasetViewer** can be scrolled, updated in real-time, and synchronized to the chart, so that scrolling of the DatasetViewer can scroll the chart.



Display and edit dataset values in a simple grid

| | 145 | 146 | 147 | 148 | 149 | 150 | 151 | 152 | 153 | 154 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Week | 10/14/07 | 10/21/07 | 10/28/07 | 11/04/07 | 11/11/07 | 11/18/07 | 11/25/07 | 12/02/07 | 12/09/07 | 12/16/07 |
| Eastern | 504.0 | 532.9 | 505.2 | 531.8 | 508.2 | 490.1 | 479.8 | 467.7 | 438.7 | 441.1 |
| Central | 137.47 | 160.21 | 192.39 | 158.44 | 165.60 | 154.47 | 161.69 | 165.26 | 153.67 | 170.99 |
| Pacific/West | 981.03 | 953.72 | 994.17 | 987.87 | 963.06 | 916.83 | 922.56 | 964.82 | 925.38 | 934.53 |

The grid can be synchronized to the chart
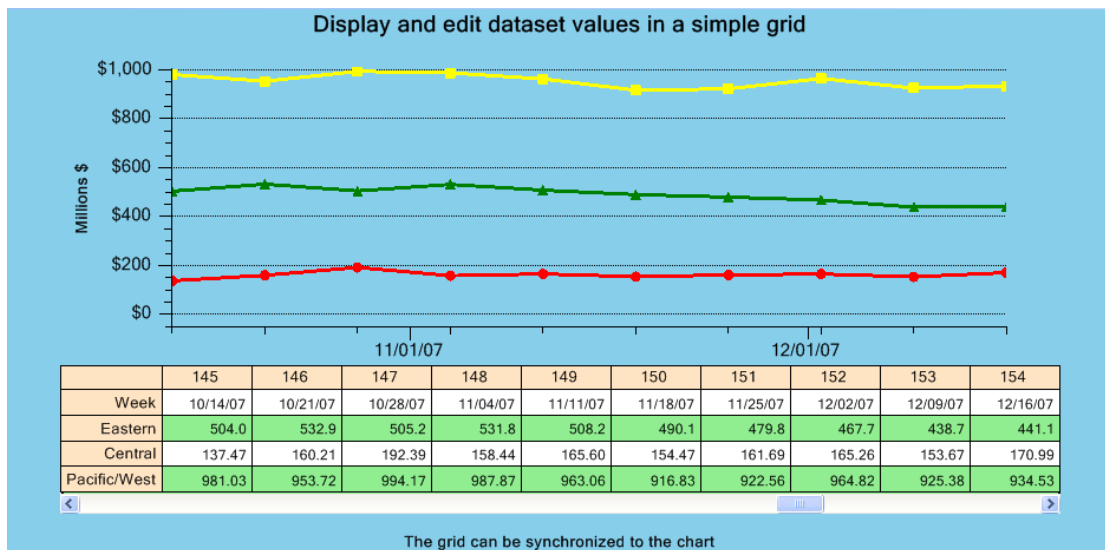
*A DatasetViewer displaying three TimeSimpleDatasets*

## Class DatasetViewer
**ChartView**
```
    |
    +--DatasetViewer
```

The **DatasetViewer** is a **ChartView** derived object and as such is an independent **UserControl** object. Use it to view one or more datasets in a chart. Since it is usually not possible or practical to display the entire dataset, the **DatasetViewer** windows a rectangular section of the dataset for display. Scroll bars are used to scroll the rows and columns of the dataset. The **DatasetViewer** constructor defines the size, position, source matrix, the number of rows and columns of the **DatasetViewer** grid, and the starting position of the **DatasetViewer** scrollbar.

### DatasetViewer constructor

#### Visual Basic (Declaration)

```
Public Sub New ( _
    chartvu As ChartView, _
    transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
    posrect As Rectangle2D, _
    dataset As ChartDataset, _
    rows As Integer, _
    cols As Integer, _
    start As Integer _
)
```

#### C#

```
public DatasetViewer(
    ChartView chartvu,
    PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    Rectangle2D posrect,
    ChartDataset dataset,
    int rows,
    int cols,
    int start
)
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *chartvu* | The **ChartView** object the **DatasetViewer** is placed in. |
| *transform* | The coordinate system the **DatasetViewer** is placed in. |
| *posrect* | A positioning rectangle (using normalized chart coordinates) for the dataset viewer, use null if not used. |
| *dataset* | A simple, or group, dataset to add to the dataset viewer. |
| *rows* | Number of rows to display |
| *cols* | Number of columns to display. |
| *start* | Starting column of the dataset viewer. |

Set unique fonts for the column headers, row headers and grid cells using the ColumnHeaderFont, RowHearderFont and GridCellFont properties.

Turn on the edit feature of the grid cells using the EnableEdit property. Turn on the striped background color of the grid cells using the UseStripedGridBackground property.

Foreground and background attributes of the column headers, row headers and grid cells can be set using the ColumnHeaderAttribute, RowHeaderAttribute, GridAttribute, and AltGridAttribute properties.

You can add multiple datasets to a **DatasetViewer** using the DatasetViewer.AddDataset method. When adding additional datasets, it only adds the y-values of the dataset. It is assumed the x-values of the datasets are the same; otherwise, the columns would lose synchronization.

The row header string for the first grid row, the x-values, is picked up from the first dataset's XString property. If that is null, "X-Values" is displayed for numeric x-values, and "Time" for time-based x-values. Subsequent row header strings, for the y-values, are picked up from the main title string of each associated dataset. In the case of group datasets with multiple y-values for each x-value, row header strings are picked up from the datasets GroupStrings property, which stores one string for each group in the dataset.

You can change the default orientation of the **DatasetViewer** by calling a version of the **DatasetViewer** constructor that has an orientation property as the last parameter. See the NewDemosRev2.VerticalDatasetViewerChart for an example.

**Simple DatasetViewer example (extracted from the example program NewDemosRev2.SimpleDatasetViewer)**
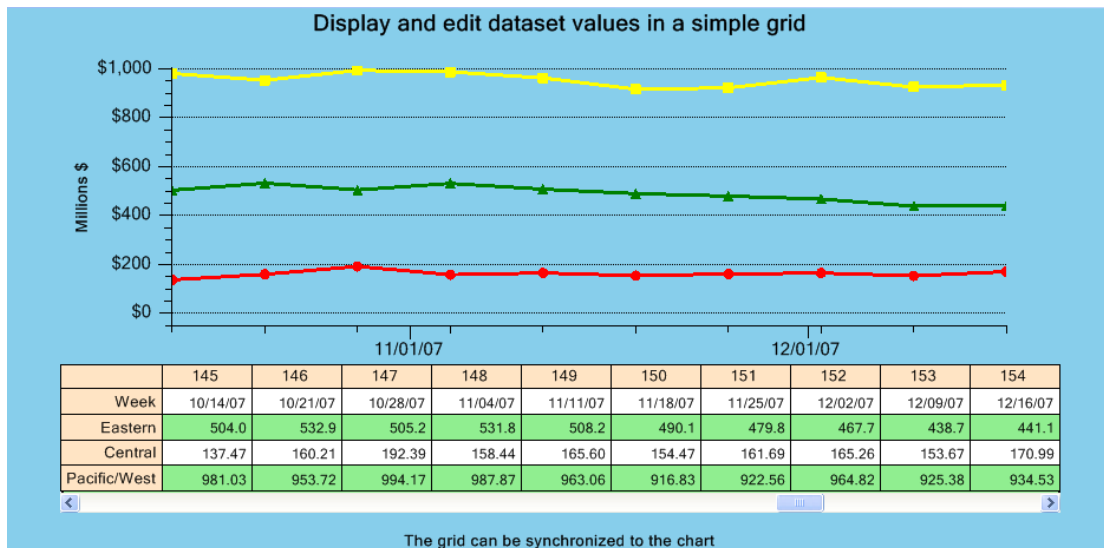


*A DatasetViewer displaying three TimeSimpleDatasets*

[C#]

```
Rectangle2D posrect = new Rectangle2D(0.05, 0.7, 0.9, 0.2);
DatasetViewer datasetViewer1 =
```

```
   new DatasetViewer(chartVu, pTransform1, posrect, Dataset1, 2, 10, 0);
datasetViewer1.EnableEdit(true);
datasetViewer1.DatasetTable.TableBackgroundMode =
   ChartGeneralizedTableDisplay.TABLE_SINGLE_COLOR_BACKGROUND_GRIDCELL;
datasetViewer1.UseStripedGridBackground = true;
datasetViewer1.RowHeaderFont =
   new Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 11, FontStyle.Regular);
datasetViewer1.ColumnHeaderFont =
   new Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 10, FontStyle.Regular);
datasetViewer1.GridCellFont =
   new Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 9, FontStyle.Regular);
datasetViewer1.SyncChart = true;
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim posrect As New Rectangle2D(0.05, 0.67, 0.9, 0.26)
Dim rows As Integer = 4, columns As Integer = 10, _
   startindex As Integer = initialstartindex
Dim datasetViewer1 As New DatasetViewer(chartVu, pTransform1, posrect, _
   Dataset1, rows, columns,  startindex)
datasetViewer1.AddDataset(Dataset2)
datasetViewer1.AddDataset(Dataset3)
datasetViewer1.EnableEdit(True)
datasetViewer1.DatasetTable.TableBackgroundMode = _
   ChartGeneralizedTableDisplay.TABLE_SINGLE_COLOR_BACKGROUND_GRIDCELL
datasetViewer1.UseStripedGridBackground = True
datasetViewer1.RowHeaderFont = _
   New Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 10, FontStyle.Regular)
datasetViewer1.ColumnHeaderFont = _
   New Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 10, FontStyle.Regular)
datasetViewer1.GridCellFont = _
   New Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 9, FontStyle.Regular)
datasetViewer1.SyncChart = True
```

## Group DatasetViewer example (extracted from the example program NewDemosRev2.GroupDatasetViewer)
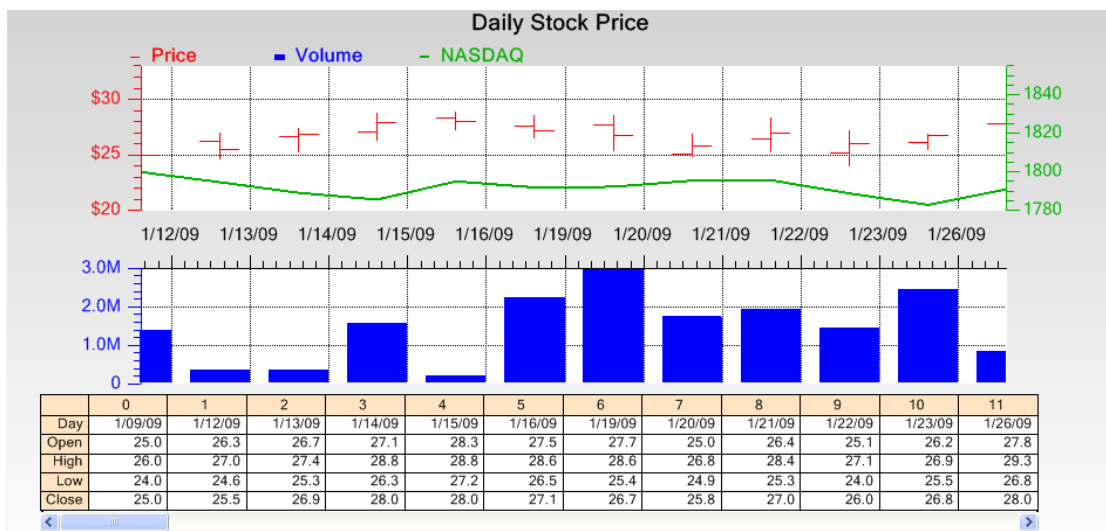


A **DatasetViewer** displaying a **TimeGroupDataset** display open-high-low-close data

[C#]

```
Rectangle2D posrect = new Rectangle2D(0.03, 0.67, 0.9, 0.24);
DatasetViewer.DefaultFont = new Font(FontFamily.GenericSansSerif, 9,
FontStyle.Regular);
DatasetViewer datasetViewer1 = new DatasetViewer(chartVu, pTransform1, posrect,
Dataset1, 5, 12, 0);
datasetViewer1.EnableEdit(true);
datasetViewer1.DatasetTable.TableBackgroundMode = _
  ChartGeneralizedTableDisplay.TABLE_SINGLE_COLOR_BACKGROUND_GRIDCELL;
datasetViewer1.SyncChart = true;
datasetViewer1.SetArrayFormat(0, ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY);
datasetViewer1.TransformList.Add(pTransform2);
datasetViewer1.TransformList.Add(pTransform3);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim posrect As New Rectangle2D(0.03, 0.67, 0.9, 0.24)
DatasetViewer.DefaultFont = _
    New Font(FontFamily.GenericSansSerif, 9, FontStyle.Regular)
Dim datasetViewer1 As New DatasetViewer(chartVu, pTransform1, _
    posrect, Dataset1, 5, 12, 0)
datasetViewer1.EnableEdit(True)
datasetViewer1.DatasetTable.TableBackgroundMode =
ChartGeneralizedTableDisplay.TABLE_SINGLE_COLOR_BACKGROUND_GRIDCELL
datasetViewer1.SyncChart = True
datasetViewer1.SetArrayFormat(0, ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_MDY)
datasetViewer1.TransformList.Add(pTransform2)
datasetViewer1.TransformList.Add(pTransform3)
```

## Vertical Orientation DatasetViewer example (extracted from the example program NewDemosRev2. VerticalDatasetViewerChart)

[C#]

```
Rectangle2D posrect = new Rectangle2D(0.725, 0.1, 0.25, 0.7);
int rows = 10, columns = 2, startindex = 0;
DatasetViewer datasetViewer1 = new DatasetViewer(chartVu, pTransform1, posrect,
Dataset1, rows, columns, startindex, ChartObj.VERT_DIR);
datasetViewer1.EnableEdit(true);
datasetViewer1.DatasetTable.TableBackgroundMode =
ChartGeneralizedTableDisplay.TABLE_SINGLE_COLOR_BACKGROUND_GRIDCELL;
datasetViewer1.UseStripedGridBackground = true;
// Need to override default numeric format template with elapsed time template
ElapsedTimeLabel etimetemplate = new ElapsedTimeLabel(new Font("Microsoft Sans
Serif", 9, FontStyle.Regular), ChartObj.TIMEDATEFORMAT_24HMS);
datasetViewer1.SetFormatTemplate(1, etimetemplate);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim posrect As New Rectangle2D(0.725, 0.1, 0.25, 0.7)
Dim rows As Integer = 10, columns As Integer = 2, startindex As Integer = 0
Dim datasetViewer1 As New DatasetViewer(chartVu, pTransform1, posrect, _
    Dataset1, rows, columns, startindex, ChartObj.VERT_DIR)
datasetViewer1.EnableEdit(True)
datasetViewer1.DatasetTable.TableBackgroundMode = _
  ChartGeneralizedTableDisplay.TABLE_SINGLE_COLOR_BACKGROUND_GRIDCELL
datasetViewer1.UseStripedGridBackground = True
```

# 22. Adding Lines, Shapes, Images and Arrows to a Chart

**ChartShape**
**Arrow**
**ChartImage**

It is not possible to take into account every possible graphical object that a programmer wants to add to a graph. Specialized applications require specialized objects. Rather than create a large group of classes that duplicate the functions of the **Arc2D**, **Rectangle2D** and other classes, a generalized class has been created, **ChartShape**, that can place and display in a chart any object that can be expressed as a **System.Drawing.Drawing2D.GraphicsPath**.

The **Arrow** defines an arrow shape useable with the **ChartShape** class. The **Arrow** class creates the arrows in the **ArrowPlot** class, and it can also place individual arrows in a chart. The class creates a base arrow with a custom arrowhead and shaft size. Scale, rotate and position the arrow in a chart.

 The **ChartImage** class places a **System.Drawing.Image** object anywhere in a chart. It can be a small element of the chart, inside or outside of the plot area, or it can be sized to fill the plot area or graph area and used as a background object.

## Generic Shape Class

### Class ChartShape
**GraphObj**
```
    |
    +--ChartShape
```

The **ChartShape** class places arbitrary **GraphicsPath** objects in a chart. If the shape includes absolute positioning information, use (0,0) as the xy position parameters of the shape. If the shape coordinates are relative coordinates with the object centered on (0,0), place the shape at the position you want using the xy position parameters. The xy position parameters are the rotation origin of shape.

### ChartShape constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
```

```
    ByVal ashape As GraphicsPath, _
    ByVal shapecoordstype As Integer, _
    ByVal x As Double, _
    ByVal y As Double, _
    ByVal npositiontype As Integer, _
    ByVal rotation As Integer _
)
[C#]
public ChartShape(
    PhysicalCoordinates transform,
    GraphicsPath ashape,
    int shapecoordstype,
    double x,
    double y,
    int npositiontype,
    int rotation
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The shape object is placed in the coordinate system defined by transform. |
| *ashape* | A reference to a **System.Drawing.Drawing2D.GraphicsPath** object. |
| *shapecoordstype* | Specifies if the coordinate system defining the shape is specified in physical coordinates, normalized coordinates or .Net device coordinates. Use one of the position constants: DEV_POS, PHYS_POS, NORM_GRAPH_POS, NORM_PLOT_POS. |
| *x* | Specifies the x-value of the shape position. |
| *y* | Specifies the y-value of the shape position. |
| *npostype* | Specifies the if the position of the shape is specified in physical coordinates, normalized coordinates or .Net device coordinates. Use one of the position constants: DEV_POS, PHYS_POS, NORM_GRAPH_POS, NORM_PLOT_POS. |
| *rotation* | The rotation, in degrees, of the shape in the normal viewing plane. The rotation will take place about the objects (0.0, 0.0) coordinate. If the object is not defined with a center of (0.0, 0.0) it may be rotated out of the current viewing plane. |

**ChartShape example (extracted from the example program MultiLinePlots, class MultiLines)**

[C#]

```
ChartView chartVu = new ChartView();
```

```
.
.
.
Color alphaColor =  Color.FromArgb(127,170, 100, 50);
ChartAttribute attrib2 =
    new ChartAttribute (alphaColor, 1,DashStyle.Solid, alphaColor);
attrib2.SetFillFlag(true);
Rectangle2D linearRegionRect = new Rectangle2D(0.1,0.1,1.5,50);
GraphicsPath rectpath = new GraphicsPath();
rectpath.AddRectangle(linearRegionRect.GetRectangleF());
ChartShape linearRegionShape =
    new ChartShape(pTransform1, rectpath, ChartObj.PHYS_POS,
                   0.0, 0.0, ChartObj.PHYS_POS,0);
linearRegionShape.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib2);
chartVu.AddChartObject(linearRegionShape);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim alphaColor As Color = Color.FromArgb(127, 170, 100, 50)
Dim attrib2 As New ChartAttribute(alphaColor, 1, DashStyle.Solid, alphaColor)
attrib2.SetFillFlag(True)
Dim linearRegionRect As New Rectangle2D(0.1, 0.1, 1.5, 50)
Dim rectpath As New GraphicsPath()
rectpath.AddRectangle(linearRegionRect.GetRectangleF())
Dim linearRegionShape As New ChartShape(pTransform1, rectpath, _
      ChartObj.PHYS_POS, 0.0, 0.0, ChartObj.PHYS_POS, 0)
linearRegionShape.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib2)
chartVu.AddChartObject(linearRegionShape)
```

## ChartShape example (extracted from the example program LabeledDatapoints, class LabeledDatapoints)

[C#]

```
GraphicsPath titleLine = new GraphicsPath();
titleLine.AddLine(0.1f,0.1f, 0.9f,0.1f);
ChartShape titleLineShape = new ChartShape(pTransform1, titleLine,
         ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS, 0.0, 0.0, ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS,0);
titleLineShape.SetLineWidth(3);
chartVu.AddChartObject(titleLineShape);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim titleLine As New GraphicsPath()
titleLine.AddLine(0.1F, 0.1F, 0.9F, 0.1F)
Dim titleLineShape As New ChartShape(pTransform1, titleLine, _
      ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS, 0.0, 0.0, ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS, 0)
titleLineShape.SetLineWidth(3)
chartVu.AddChartObject(titleLineShape)
```

# Chart Image Class

## Class ChartImage

**GraphObj**
        |
        **+-- ChartImage**

The **ChartImage** class will place a **System.Drawing.Image** object anywhere in a chart. It can be a small element of the chart, inside or outside of the plot area or it can be sized to fill the plot area or graph area and used as a background object.

**ChartImage constructor**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal transform As PhysicalCoordinates, _
   ByVal aimage As Image, _
   ByVal x As Double, _
   ByVal y As Double, _
   ByVal npostype As Integer, _
   ByVal rotation As Integer _
)
[C#]
public ChartImage(
   PhysicalCoordinates transform,
   Image aimage,
   double x,
   double y,
   int npostype,
   int rotation
);
```

| | |
|---|---|
| *transform* | The coordinate system for the new **ChartImage** object. |
| *aimage* | A reference to the **Image** object that is to be placed in the chart. |
| *x* | The x-value for the position of the image in the chart. |
| *y* | The y-value for the position of the image in the chart. |
| *npostype* | Specifies whether the x- and y-position values are specified in normalized coordinates, or physical coordinates. Use one of the position constants: NORM_POS, PHYS_POS. |
| *rotation* | The rotation of the image specified in degrees. |

**ChartImage example (extracted from the example program ImageCharts, class ImageBackground)**

[C#]

```
String filename = "..\\..\\Images\\ChartClouds.jpg";
Bitmap aImage = null;
try
{
    aImage = new Bitmap(filename);
}
catch (System.ArgumentException )
```

```
{
    filename = "Images\\ChartClouds.jpg";
    aImage = null;
}
if (aImage == null)
{
    try
    {
        aImage = new Bitmap(filename);
    }
    catch (System.ArgumentException )
    {
        aImage = null;
    }
}
if (aImage != null)
{
    ChartImage chartImage = new ChartImage( pTransform1,
            aImage, 0, 0,  ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS, 0 );
        chartImage.SetSizeMode(ChartObj.COORD_SIZE);
        chartImage.SetImageSize(new Dimension(1,1));
        chartVu.AddChartObject(chartImage);
}
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim filename As [String] = "..\Images\ChartClouds.jpg"
Dim aImage As Bitmap
Try
    aImage = New Bitmap(filename)
  Catch err As System.ArgumentException
     filename = "Images\ChartClouds.jpg"
     aImage = Nothing
  End Try
If (aImage Is Nothing) Then
  Try
    aImage = New Bitmap(filename)
    Catch err As System.ArgumentException
    aImage = Nothing
  End Try
End If

If Not (aImage Is Nothing) Then
   Dim chartImage As New ChartImage(pTransform1, aImage, 0, 0,
ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS, 0)
chartImage.SetSizeMode(ChartObj.COORD_SIZE)
chartImage.SetImageSize(New Dimension(1, 1))
chartVu.AddChartObject(chartImage)
End If
```

# Generic Arrow Class

## Class Arrow
**ChartObj**
```
    |
    +-- Arrow
```

The **Arrow** defines an arrow shape useable with the **ChartShape** class. The **Arrow** class creates the arrows in the **ArrowPlot** class, and it can also place individual arrows in a chart. The class creates a base arrow with a custom arrowhead and shaft size. Scale, rotate and position the arrow in a chart. The arrow is defined using device coordinates.

**Arrow constructor**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal arrowshafthalfwidth As Double, _
   ByVal arrayshaftlength As Double, _
   ByVal arrowheadhalfwidth As Double, _
   ByVal arrowheadlength As Double _
)
[C#]
public Arrow(
   double arrowshafthalfwidth,
   double arrayshaftlength,
   double arrowheadhalfwidth,
   double arrowheadlength
);
```

*arrowshafthalfwidth*        Sets the half-width of the arrow shaft. (default 1

*arrayshaftlength*           Sets the length of the arrow shaft. (default 7)

*arrowheadhalfwidth*         Sets the half-width of the arrow head. (default 2)

*arrowheadlength*            Sets the length of the arrow head. (default 3)

The default arrow has a length of about 10 pixels and a width of 4 pixels at the head. The size of the various parts can be set to whatever values you want to create an arrow of with an aspect ratio appropriate to your application. You can scale the arrow by setting the **ArrowScaleFactor** property. Get a **GraphicsPath** object defining the arrow shape by calling the **GetArrowShape** method.

**Arrow example (extracted from the example program MultiLinePlots, class MultiLines)**

[C#]

```
Arrow regionArrow = new Arrow(1,40,6,15);
ChartAttribute arrowAttrib =
      new ChartAttribute (Color.Black, 1,DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black);
arrowAttrib.SetFillFlag(true);
ChartShape arrowShape = new ChartShape(pTransform1, regionArrow.GetArrowShape(),
      ChartObj.DEV_POS, 1.5, 40.0, ChartObj.PHYS_POS,195);
arrowShape.SetChartObjAttributes(arrowAttrib);
chartVu.AddChartObject(arrowShape);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim regionArrow As New Arrow(1, 40, 6, 15)
Dim arrowAttrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, _
        DashStyle.Solid, Color.Black)
arrowAttrib.SetFillFlag(True)
Dim arrowShape As New ChartShape(pTransform1, regionArrow.GetArrowShape(), _
        ChartObj.DEV_POS, 1.5, 40.0, ChartObj.PHYS_POS, 195)
arrowShape.SetChartObjAttributes(arrowAttrib)
chartVu.AddChartObject(arrowShape)
```

# 23. File and Printer Rendering Classes

**ChartPrint**
**BufferedImage**

High quality B&W and color printing is an important feature of the charting library. The resulting graph renders on the printer using the resolution of the output device, for both text and graphical elements of the chart, and does not transfer a grainy image from the computer to the printer. The **QCChart2D for .***Net* software uses the Microsoft .Net **PrintDocument** component to implement printing. Since the aspect ratio of the printed page is different from the aspect raion of common displays, options are included that allow different modes for positioning and sizing the chart on the printed page.

The **BufferedImage** class converts a chart into a .Net **Bitmap** object, or saves the chart to a file in any of the graphics formats supported by the **System.Drawing.Imaging.ImageFormat** class. The image file is placeable in a web page or an application program. You can create a "headless" .Net application and render charts without displaying a Windows form, saving the charts as image files.

## Printing a Chart

## Class ChartPrint

**ChartObj**
```
        |
        +--ChartPrint
```

The **ChartPrint** class uses the Microsoft .Net **PrintDocument** component to implement printing. The class selects, setups, and outputs a chart to a printer.

**ChartPrint constructor**

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView, _
   ByVal nsizemode As Integer _
)
[C#]
public ChartPrint(
   ChartView component,
   int nsizemode
);
```

*component*                    Specifies the **ChartView** object to be printed.

| *nsizemode* | Specifies the printer mapping mode.  Use one of the mapping mode constants: |
| --- | --- |

PRT_MAX    Print the view so that paper is used maximally. Text prints proportional to other objects, aspect ratio is maintained.

PRT_EXACT  Print the view at the same size as the screen, at least as far as .Net maintains a one to one coordespondence in the printing engine. The aspect ratio of the view is maintained.

PRT_RECT    Print the view to the specified rectangle, specified using the SetPrintRect method and normalized coordinates. Regardless of the print rectangle, the aspect ratio of the chart is maintained.

Call the ChartPrint.DoPrintDialog method after creating the **ChartPrint** object. Then call the ChartPrint.DoPrintPage method, rendering the chart to the printer. If the DoPrintDialog method is not called prior to DoPrintPage, the DoPrintPage method automatically invokes the DoPrintDialog method. Subsequent calls to DoPrintPage will not invoke the DoPrintDialog method.

## Using All of the Paper When Printing

The PRT_MAX mode prints the chart as large as possible, while maintaining the same aspect ratio as the original **ChartView**. If the width is the limiting factor, the bottom of the printed page will always be blank. The same is true of the PRT_RECT mode. While the PRT_RECT mode can control the size and position of the chart on the printed page, it cannot change the aspect ratio of the chart.

The only way to fill the printed page in portrait or landscape mode is establish the screen **ChartView** size with the same aspect ratio as the 8 1/2 x 11 printed page printable area (about 6.5 x 9 assuming the 1 inch default margins). Assuming portrait mode, a **ChartView** sized to 650W x 900H will fill the page, as will other **ChartView** sizes with the same proportions (500W x 692H, 400W x 554H, 300W x 415 etc.). If you are printing in landscape mode then the chart width and height values would be swapped.

ChartPrint example **(extracted from the example program LinePlotSalesVolume, class LinePlotSalesVolume)**

```
// This routine invokes the chart objects PageSetupItem method
```

```csharp
public void PageSetup(object sender, System.EventArgs e)
{
    ChartView chartVu  = this;
    if (chartVu != null)
    {
        if (printobj == null)
        {
            printobj = new ChartPrint(chartVu);
        }
        else
            printobj.PrintChartView = chartVu;
        printobj.PageSetupItem(sender, e);
    }
}

// This routine invokes the chart objects printer setup dialog method
public void PrinterSetup(object sender, System.EventArgs e)
{
    ChartView chartVu  = this;
    if (chartVu != null)
    {
        if (printobj == null)
        {
            printobj = new ChartPrint(chartVu);
        }
        else
            printobj.PrintChartView = chartVu;
        printobj.DoPrintDialog();
    }
}

// This routine invokes the chart objects PrintPreviewItem method
public void PrintPreview(object sender, System.EventArgs e)
{
    ChartView chartVu  = this;
    if (chartVu != null)
    {
        if (printobj == null)
        {
            printobj = new ChartPrint(chartVu);
        }
        else
            printobj.PrintChartView = chartVu;
        printobj.PrintPreviewItem(sender, e);
    }
}

// This routine prints a chart by invoking the chart objects DocPrintPage method
public void PrintPage(object sender, System.EventArgs e)
{
    ChartView chartVu  = this;
    if (chartVu != null)
    {
        if (printobj == null)
        {
            printobj = new ChartPrint(chartVu);
            printobj.DoPrintDialog();
        }
        else
            printobj.PrintChartView = chartVu;

        printobj.DocPrintPage( sender,  e);
    }
}
```

[Visual Basic]

```vb
' This routine invokes the chart objects PageSetupItem method
Public Sub PageSetup(ByVal sender As Object, ByVal e As System.EventArgs)
```

```vb
    Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
    If Not (chartVu Is Nothing) Then
       If printobj Is Nothing Then
          printobj = New ChartPrint(chartVu)
       Else
          printobj.PrintChartView = chartVu
       End If
       printobj.PageSetupItem(sender, e)
    End If
    End Sub 'PageSetup


' This routine invokes the chart objects printer setup dialog method
Public Sub PrinterSetup(ByVal sender As Object, ByVal e As System.EventArgs)
  Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
  If Not (chartVu Is Nothing) Then
  If printobj Is Nothing Then
    printobj = New ChartPrint(chartVu)
  Else
    printobj.PrintChartView = chartVu
  End If
    printobj.DoPrintDialog()
  End If
End Sub 'PrinterSetup


' This routine invokes the chart objects PrintPreviewItem method
 Public Sub PrintPreview(ByVal sender As Object, ByVal e As System.EventArgs)
    Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
    If Not (chartVu Is Nothing) Then
       If printobj Is Nothing Then
          printobj = New ChartPrint(chartVu)
       Else
          printobj.PrintChartView = chartVu
       End If
       printobj.PrintPreviewItem(sender, e)
    End If
 End Sub 'PrintPreview


' This routine prints a chart by invoking the chart objects DocPrintPage method
Public Sub PrintPage(ByVal sender As Object, ByVal e As System.EventArgs)
  Dim chartVu As ChartView = Me
  If Not (chartVu Is Nothing) Then
       If printobj Is Nothing Then
           printobj = New ChartPrint(chartVu)
           printobj.DoPrintDialog()
       Else
           printobj.PrintChartView = chartVu
       End If
       printobj.DocPrintPage(sender, e)
    End If
End Sub 'PrintPage
```

# Capturing the Chart as a Buffered Image

## Class BufferedImage
## ChartObj
```
     |
     +-- BufferedImage
```

The **BufferedImage** class creates a **Bitmap** object that is used to render a **ChartView** object into an image buffer. The rendering takes place when the **BufferedImage**.Render method or **BufferedImage.SaveImage** method is called.

## BufferedImage constructor

```
[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView, _
   ByVal imgformat As ImageFormat _
)

[Visual Basic]
Overloads Public Sub New( _
   ByVal component As ChartView _
)

[C#]
public BufferedImage(
   ChartView component,
   ImageFormat imgformat
);


public BufferedImage(
   ChartView component
);
```

*component*        The **ChartView** object that is the source for the chart image.

*imageformat*     An image format object specifying the format of the rendered image.

The **BufferedImage.GetBufferedImage** method converts the chart to the .Net **Bitmap** object specified by the imageformat object and returns a reference the resulting bitmap.

**BufferedImage example (extracted from the example program LinePlotSalesVolume, class LinePlotSalesVolume)**

[C#]

```
public void SaveAsFile(object sender, System.EventArgs e)
{
    ChartView chartview = this;
    String filename = this.Name;
    SaveFileDialog imagefilechooser = new SaveFileDialog();
    imagefilechooser.Filter =
        "Image Files(*.BMP;*.JPG;*.GIF;*.TIFF;*.PNG)|
*.BMP;*.JPG;*.GIF;*.TIFF;*.PNG|All files (*.*)|*.*";
    imagefilechooser.FileName = filename;
    if (imagefilechooser.ShowDialog() == DialogResult.OK)
    {
        filename = imagefilechooser.FileName;
        FileInfo fileinformation = new FileInfo(filename);
        String fileext = fileinformation.Extension;
```

```
        fileext = fileext.ToUpper();
        ImageFormat fileimageformat;
        if (fileext == ".BMP" )
            fileimageformat = ImageFormat.Bmp;
        else if ((fileext == ".JPG") || (fileext == ".JPEG"))
            fileimageformat = ImageFormat.Jpeg;
        else if ((fileext == ".GIF"))
            fileimageformat = ImageFormat.Gif;
        else if ((fileext == ".TIF") || (fileext == ".TIFF"))
            fileimageformat = ImageFormat.Tiff;
        else if ((fileext == ".PNG"))
            fileimageformat = ImageFormat.Png;
        else
            fileimageformat = ImageFormat.Bmp;

        BufferedImage savegraph = new BufferedImage(chartview, fileimageformat);
        savegraph.Render();
        savegraph.SaveImage(filename);
    }
}
```

## [Visual Basic]

```
Public Sub SaveAsFile(ByVal sender As Object, ByVal e As System.EventArgs)
    Dim chartview As ChartView = Me
    Dim filename As [String] = Me.Name
    Dim imagefilechooser As New SaveFileDialog()
    imagefilechooser.Filter = "Image Files(*.BMP;*.JPG;*.GIF;*.TIFF;*.PNG)|
*.BMP;*.JPG;*.GIF;*.TIFF;*.PNG|All files (*.*)|*.*"
    imagefilechooser.FileName = filename
    If imagefilechooser.ShowDialog() = DialogResult.OK Then
        filename = imagefilechooser.FileName
        Dim fileinformation As New FileInfo(filename)
        Dim fileext As [String] = fileinformation.Extension
        fileext = fileext.ToUpper()
        Dim fileimageformat As ImageFormat
        If fileext = ".BMP" Then
            fileimageformat = ImageFormat.Bmp
        Else
            If fileext = ".JPG" Or fileext = ".JPEG" Then
                fileimageformat = ImageFormat.Jpeg
            Else
                If fileext = ".GIF" Then
                        fileimageformat = ImageFormat.Gif
                  Else
                        If fileext = ".TIF" Or fileext = ".TIFF" Then
                           fileimageformat = ImageFormat.Tiff
                         Else
                         If fileext = ".PNG" Then
                            fileimageformat = ImageFormat.Png
                         Else
                             fileimageformat = ImageFormat.Bmp
                         End If
                    End If
                End If
            End If
        End If
        Dim savegraph As New BufferedImage(chartview, fileimageformat)
        savegraph.Render()
        savegraph.SaveImage(filename)
    End If
End Sub 'SaveAsFile
```

# Headless Rendering of Charts

Often is it necessary to render a chart as an image file, or stream, without actually displaying it. This is the case if you are producing the images on a server and serving up the images to web pages. Or, you may just be printing charts, or storing them as images, without actually viewing them on a Windows form. One term for this is "headless" rendering, since the computer may not have a monitor or graphics terminal connected for actual viewing of the charts. Using .Net you can create console applications that are designed to display in text mode, under the DOS prompt, without a graphical display.

Creating charts using headless rendering is almost identical to displaying the charts on a Windows form. There are are two important differences. First, since the **ChartView** component of your chart is not added to a form, size information is not assigned to it by the Visual Studio Designer. You must therefore explicity size the **ChartView** component to produce a memory bitmap of the size you want the chart rendered at..

```
ChartView chartVu = new ChartView();
chartVu.Size = new Size(600, 300);
```

Second, since the **ChartView** component is not to be viewed, you do NOT want it added to some underlying Windows.Forms.Controls list. This would be done if you explicitly added the **ChartView** component to a Windows form, or if you explicitly added the **ChartView** component to some Windows.Forms.Controls list.. This is usually hidden in the Forms Designer part of the code, though there are cases where you might do this manually. Since our **ChartView** compoenent relies on System.Windows.Forms classes, you still have to have System.Windows.Forms, Sysem.Drawing, and QCChart2DNet6 namespaces referenced in the Solution references section. And you will need add the following using (or import) references in addition to those included in a standard Console app:

```
using System.Drawing;
using System.Drawing.Drawing2D;
using System.Drawing.Imaging;
using com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet6;
```

You create a **ChartView** object and draw the chart to it. You then render the chart as an image file using our **BufferedImage** class.

The example program below, extracted from the ConsolApplication.Program file, produces the same chart as in our FinancialExamples.CandlestickChart example program.

[C#]
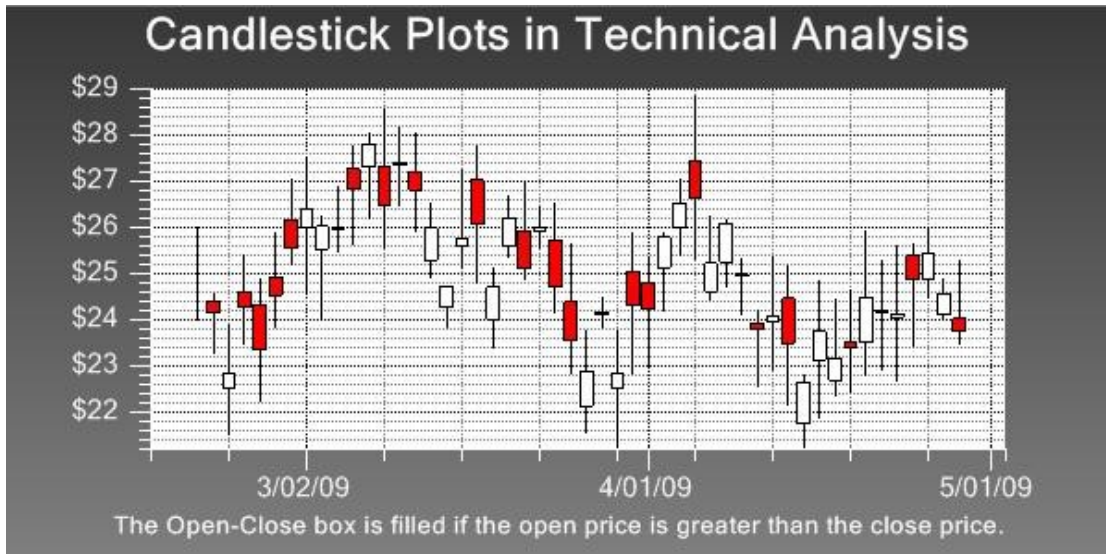
```csharp
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Text;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Data;
using System.Drawing.Drawing2D;
using System.Drawing.Imaging;
using com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet6;

namespace ConsoleApplication1
{
    class Program
    {
        static void Main(string[] args)
        {
            InitializeChart();
        }

        static void InitializeChart()
        {
            ChartView chartVu = new ChartView();
            chartVu.Size = new Size(600, 300);

            int nNumPnts = 50, nNumGroups = 4;
            int weekmode = ChartObj.WEEK_5D;
            ChartCalendar[] xValues = new ChartCalendar[nNumPnts];
            double[,] stockPriceData = new double[nNumGroups, nNumPnts];
            Font theFont;

            double minval = 0.0, maxval = 0.0;
            int i;

            ChartCalendar currentdate = new ChartCalendar();
            ChartCalendar.SetTOD(currentdate, 0, 0, 1);
            theFont = new Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 10, FontStyle.Bold);
            currentdate = ChartCalendar.CalendarDaysAdd(currentdate, 1, weekmode);
// Make sure not to start on a weekend
            xValues[0] = (ChartCalendar)currentdate.Clone();
            currentdate = ChartCalendar.CalendarDaysAdd(currentdate, 1, weekmode);
            stockPriceData[3, 0] = 25;  // close
```

```
            stockPriceData[0, 0] = 25;   // open
            stockPriceData[1, 0] = 26;   // high
            stockPriceData[2, 0] = 24;   // low

            for (i = 1; i < nNumPnts; i++)
            {
                xValues[i] = (ChartCalendar)currentdate.Clone();
                stockPriceData[3, i] += stockPriceData[3, i - 1] + 3 * (0.52 -
ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()); // close
                stockPriceData[0, i] += stockPriceData[3, i] + 2 * (0.5 -
ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()); // open
                minval = Math.Min(stockPriceData[3, i], stockPriceData[0, i]);
                maxval = Math.Max(stockPriceData[3, i], stockPriceData[0, i]);
                stockPriceData[1, i] = maxval + 1.5 *
ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble();  // high
                stockPriceData[2, i] = minval - 1.5 *
ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble();  // low
                currentdate = ChartCalendar.CalendarDaysAdd(currentdate, 1,
weekmode);
            }

            TimeGroupDataset Dataset1 = new TimeGroupDataset("Stock Data",
xValues, stockPriceData);
            int[] compressarray = new int[4];
            compressarray[0] = ChartObj.DATACOMPRESS_AVERAGE;
            compressarray[1] = ChartObj.DATACOMPRESS_MAX;
            compressarray[2] = ChartObj.DATACOMPRESS_MIN;
            compressarray[3] = ChartObj.DATACOMPRESS_AVERAGE;

            TimeCoordinates pTransform1 = new TimeCoordinates();
            pTransform1.SetWeekType(ChartObj.WEEK_5D);
            pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR,
ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR);
            pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.13, .15, .90, 0.8);

            Background graphbackground1 = new Background(pTransform1,
ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND,
                Color.FromArgb(127, 127, 127), Color.FromArgb(55, 55, 55),
ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(graphbackground1);
            Background plotbackground1 = new Background(pTransform1,
ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND,
                Color.White);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(plotbackground1);

            TimeAxis xAxis1 = new TimeAxis(pTransform1);
            xAxis1.SetColor(Color.White);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis1);

            LinearAxis yAxis1 = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
            yAxis1.SetColor(Color.White);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis1);

            TimeAxisLabels xAxisLab1 = new TimeAxisLabels(xAxis1);
            xAxisLab1.SetColor(Color.White);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab1);

            NumericAxisLabels yAxisLab1 = new NumericAxisLabels(yAxis1);
            yAxisLab1.SetAxisLabelsFormat(ChartObj.CURRENCYFORMAT);
            yAxisLab1.SetColor(Color.White);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab1);

            Grid xgrid1 = new Grid(xAxis1, yAxis1, ChartObj.X_AXIS,
ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR);
            xgrid1.SetColor(Color.Black);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(xgrid1);

            Grid xgrid2 = new Grid(xAxis1, yAxis1, ChartObj.X_AXIS,
ChartObj.GRID_MINOR);
            xgrid2.SetColor(Color.Gray);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(xgrid2);
```

```
            Grid ygrid1 = new Grid(xAxis1, yAxis1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS,
ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR);
            ygrid1.SetColor(Color.Black);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(ygrid1);

            Grid ygrid2 = new Grid(xAxis1, yAxis1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS,
ChartObj.GRID_MINOR);
            ygrid2.SetColor(Color.Gray);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(ygrid2);

            ChartAttribute defaultattrib = new ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1,
DashStyle.Solid, Color.White);
            defaultattrib.SetFillFlag(true);
            ChartAttribute fillattrib = new ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1,
DashStyle.Solid, Color.Red);
            fillattrib.SetFillFlag(true);
            CandlestickPlot thePlot1 = new CandlestickPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1,
ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.DAY_OF_YEAR, 0.8), defaultattrib,
fillattrib);

            chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);

            Font theTitleFont = new Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 18,
FontStyle.Bold);
            ChartTitle mainTitle = new ChartTitle(pTransform1, theTitleFont,
"Candlestick Plots in Technical Analysis");
            mainTitle.SetTitleType(ChartObj.CHART_HEADER);
            mainTitle.SetTitlePosition(ChartObj.CENTER_GRAPH);
            mainTitle.SetColor(Color.White);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(mainTitle);

            Font theFooterFont = new Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 10,
FontStyle.Bold);
            ChartTitle footer = new ChartTitle(pTransform1, theFooterFont,
                "The Open-Close box is filled if the open price is greater than
the close price.");
            footer.SetTitleType(ChartObj.CHART_FOOTER);
            footer.SetTitlePosition(ChartObj.CENTER_GRAPH);
            footer.SetTitleOffset(8);
            footer.SetColor(Color.White);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(footer);

            // Save the chart as an image file
            BufferedImage chartimage = new BufferedImage(chartVu,
ImageFormat.Jpeg);
            chartimage.SaveImage("CandlestickPlot.jpg");

        }
    }
}
```

## [VB]


```
Imports com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet6
Imports System.Drawing
Imports System.Drawing.Imaging
Imports System.Drawing.Drawing2D

Module Module1

    Sub Main()
        InitializeChart()
    End Sub

    Private Sub InitializeChart()
        Dim chartVu As New ChartView()
        chartVu.Size = New Size(600, 300)
```

```vb
        Dim nNumPnts As Integer = 50, nNumGroups As Integer = 4
        Dim weekmode As Integer = ChartObj.WEEK_5D
        Dim xValues As ChartCalendar() = New ChartCalendar(nNumPnts - 1) {}
        Dim stockPriceData As Double(,) = _
            New Double(nNumGroups - 1, nNumPnts - 1) {}
        Dim theFont As Font

        Dim minval As Double = 0.0R, maxval As Double = 0.0R
        Dim i As Integer

        Dim currentdate As New ChartCalendar()
        ChartCalendar.SetTOD(currentdate, 0, 0, 1)
        theFont = New Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 10, FontStyle.Bold)
        currentdate = ChartCalendar.CalendarDaysAdd(currentdate, 1, weekmode)
        ' Make sure not to start on a weekend
        xValues(0) = DirectCast(currentdate.Clone(), ChartCalendar)
        currentdate = ChartCalendar.CalendarDaysAdd(currentdate, 1, weekmode)
        stockPriceData(3, 0) = 25
        ' close
        stockPriceData(0, 0) = 25
        ' open
        stockPriceData(1, 0) = 26
        ' high
        stockPriceData(2, 0) = 24
        ' low
        For i = 1 To nNumPnts - 1
            xValues(i) = DirectCast(currentdate.Clone(), ChartCalendar)
            stockPriceData(3, i) += stockPriceData(3, i - 1) + 3 * (0.52 -
ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble())
            ' close
            stockPriceData(0, i) += stockPriceData(3, i) + 2 * (0.5 -
ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble())
            ' open
            minval = Math.Min(stockPriceData(3, i), stockPriceData(0, i))
            maxval = Math.Max(stockPriceData(3, i), stockPriceData(0, i))
            stockPriceData(1, i) = maxval + 1.5 * ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()
            ' high
            stockPriceData(2, i) = minval - 1.5 * ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()
            ' low
            currentdate = ChartCalendar.CalendarDaysAdd(currentdate, 1, weekmode)
        Next

        Dim Dataset1 As New TimeGroupDataset("Stock Data", xValues,
stockPriceData)
        Dim compressarray As Integer() = New Integer(3) {}
        compressarray(0) = ChartObj.DATACOMPRESS_AVERAGE
        compressarray(1) = ChartObj.DATACOMPRESS_MAX
        compressarray(2) = ChartObj.DATACOMPRESS_MIN
        compressarray(3) = ChartObj.DATACOMPRESS_AVERAGE

        Dim pTransform1 As New TimeCoordinates()
        pTransform1.SetWeekType(ChartObj.WEEK_5D)
        pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR,
ChartObj.AUTOAXES_NEAR)
        pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.13, 0.15, 0.9, 0.8)

        Dim graphbackground1 As New Background(pTransform1,
ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND, Color.FromArgb(127, 127, 127), Color.FromArgb(55, 55,
55), ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
        chartVu.AddChartObject(graphbackground1)
        Dim plotbackground1 As New Background(pTransform1,
ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, Color.White)
        chartVu.AddChartObject(plotbackground1)

        Dim xAxis1 As New TimeAxis(pTransform1)
        xAxis1.SetColor(Color.White)
        chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis1)

        Dim yAxis1 As New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
        yAxis1.SetColor(Color.White)
        chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis1)
```

```
        Dim xAxisLab1 As New TimeAxisLabels(xAxis1)
        xAxisLab1.SetColor(Color.White)
        chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab1)

        Dim yAxisLab1 As New NumericAxisLabels(yAxis1)
        yAxisLab1.SetAxisLabelsFormat(ChartObj.CURRENCYFORMAT)
        yAxisLab1.SetColor(Color.White)
        chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab1)

        Dim xgrid1 As New Grid(xAxis1, yAxis1, ChartObj.X_AXIS,
ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR)
        xgrid1.SetColor(Color.Black)
        chartVu.AddChartObject(xgrid1)

        Dim xgrid2 As New Grid(xAxis1, yAxis1, ChartObj.X_AXIS,
ChartObj.GRID_MINOR)
        xgrid2.SetColor(Color.Gray)
        chartVu.AddChartObject(xgrid2)

        Dim ygrid1 As New Grid(xAxis1, yAxis1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS,
ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR)
        ygrid1.SetColor(Color.Black)
        chartVu.AddChartObject(ygrid1)

        Dim ygrid2 As New Grid(xAxis1, yAxis1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS,
ChartObj.GRID_MINOR)
        ygrid2.SetColor(Color.Gray)
        chartVu.AddChartObject(ygrid2)

        Dim defaultattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid,
Color.White)
        defaultattrib.SetFillFlag(True)
        Dim fillattrib As New ChartAttribute(Color.Black, 1, DashStyle.Solid,
Color.Red)
        fillattrib.SetFillFlag(True)
        Dim thePlot1 As New CandlestickPlot(pTransform1, Dataset1,
ChartCalendar.GetCalendarWidthValue(ChartObj.DAY_OF_YEAR, 0.8), defaultattrib,
fillattrib)

        chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)

        Dim theTitleFont As New Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 18, FontStyle.Bold)
        Dim mainTitle As New ChartTitle(pTransform1, theTitleFont, "Candlestick
Plots in Technical Analysis")
        mainTitle.SetTitleType(ChartObj.CHART_HEADER)
        mainTitle.SetTitlePosition(ChartObj.CENTER_GRAPH)
        mainTitle.SetColor(Color.White)
        chartVu.AddChartObject(mainTitle)

        Dim theFooterFont As New Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 10, FontStyle.Bold)
        Dim footer As New ChartTitle(pTransform1, theFooterFont, "The Open-Close
box is filled if the open price is greater than the close price.")
        footer.SetTitleType(ChartObj.CHART_FOOTER)
        footer.SetTitlePosition(ChartObj.CENTER_GRAPH)
        footer.SetTitleOffset(8)
        footer.SetColor(Color.White)
        chartVu.AddChartObject(footer)

        ' Save the chart as an image file
        Dim chartimage As New BufferedImage(chartVu, ImageFormat.Jpeg)
        chartimage.SaveImage("CandlestickPlot.jpg")

    End Sub
End Module
```

# 24. Using QCChart2D for *Net* to Create Windows Applications

## (*** Critical Note ***) Running the Example Programs

The example programs for **QCChart2D** charting software are supplied in complete source. In order to save space, they have not been pre-compiled which means that many of the intermediate object files needed to view the main form are not present. This means that **ChartView** derived control will not be visible on the main Form if you attempt to view the main form before the project has been compiled. The default state for all of the example projects should be the Start Page. Before you do view any other file or form, do a build of the project. This will cause the intermediate files to be built. If you attempt to view the main Form before building the project, Visual Studio decides that the **ChartView** control placed on the main form does not exist and delete it from the project.

The primary view class of the **QCChart2D** library is the **ChartView** class. The **ChartView** class is derived from the .Net **System.Windows.Forms.UserControl** class. It has the properties and methods of the underlying **UserControl** class.

Follow the following steps in order to incorporate the **QCChart2D** classes into your program. This is not the only way to add charts to an application. In general, any technique that works with **UserControl** derived classes will work. We found the technique described below this to be the most flexible.

## .Net Framework 6.0

Starting with Rev. 3.1, the  QCChart2DNet6 DLL has been recompiled to target the .Net 6.0 Framework.  Also, all of the example program projects have been converted to target the .Net 6 Framework.

## Visual Studio 2022

All of the projects in this software were recreated for .Net 6 using Visual Studio 2022. Since Visual Studio 2022 Community Edition can be downloaded for free from Microsoft, we assume that everyone is using this version or greater. You can create projects from scratch which utilize this software using earlier versions of Visual Studio (2019, 2017), it just that projects specifically created using Visual Studio 2022 may not be backward compatible with earlier versions of Visual Studio.

## Visual C# for .Net

.If you do not already have an application program project, create one using the Visual Studio project wizard (**File | New | Project** from the main menu. Across the top select C# | Windows | Desktop and then select the Windows Forms App option.
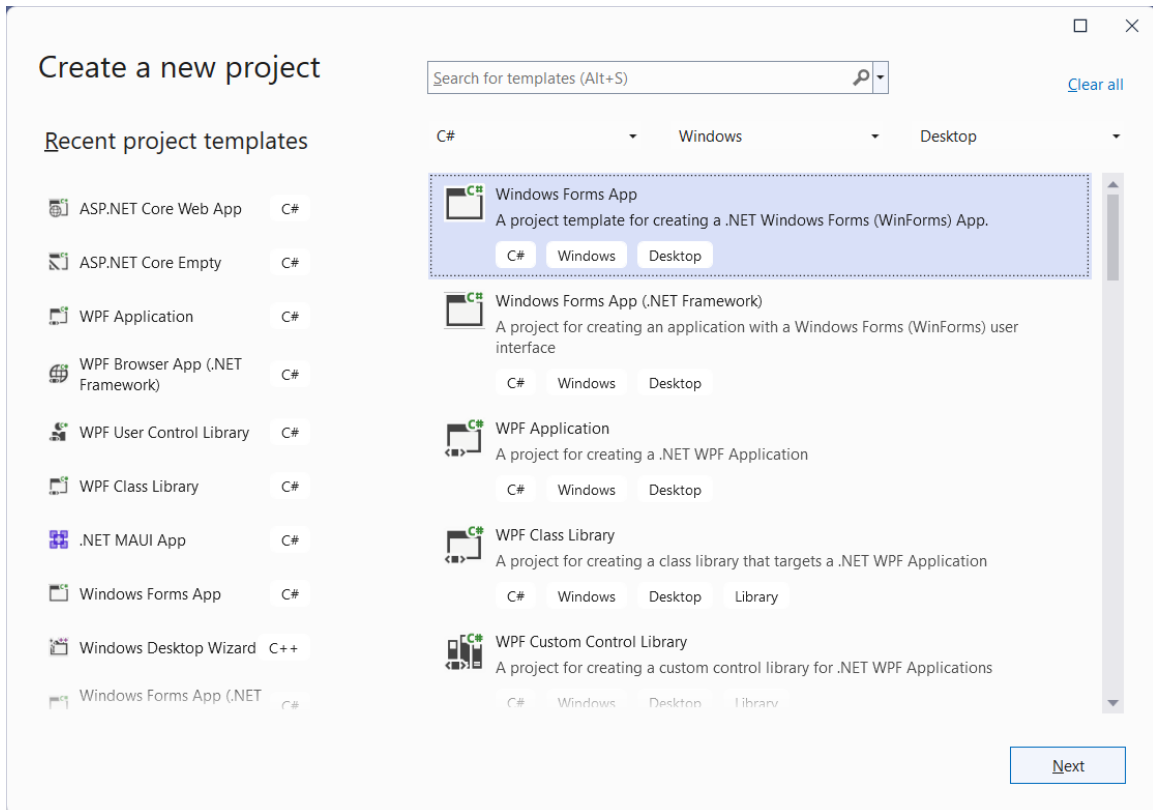


Give the project a unique name (our version of this example is **UserChartExample1**).

Specify the location as Quinn-Curtis\DotNet\QCChart2D\Visual CSharp\examples net6\ to place it in our examples folder.

Configure your new project

Windows Forms App   C#   Windows   Desktop

Project name

SPCApplication1

Location

E:\Quinn-Curtis\DotNet\QCSPCChart\Visual CSharp\examples net6\

Solution

Create new solution

Solution name ⓘ

SPCApplication1

☐ Place solution and project in the same directory

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You will end with a basic Form based application. For purposes of this example, the chart will placed in the initial, default form.

Configure your new project

Windows Forms App   C#   Windows   Desktop

Project name

UserChartExample1

Location

E:\Quinn-Curtis\DotNet\QCChart2D\Visual CSharp\examples net6\

Solution

Create new solution

Solution name ⓘ

UserChartExample1

☐ Place solution and project in the same directory

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- Add a User Control class to the project (**Project | Add User Control**). Enter a class name of **UserChartControl1**.
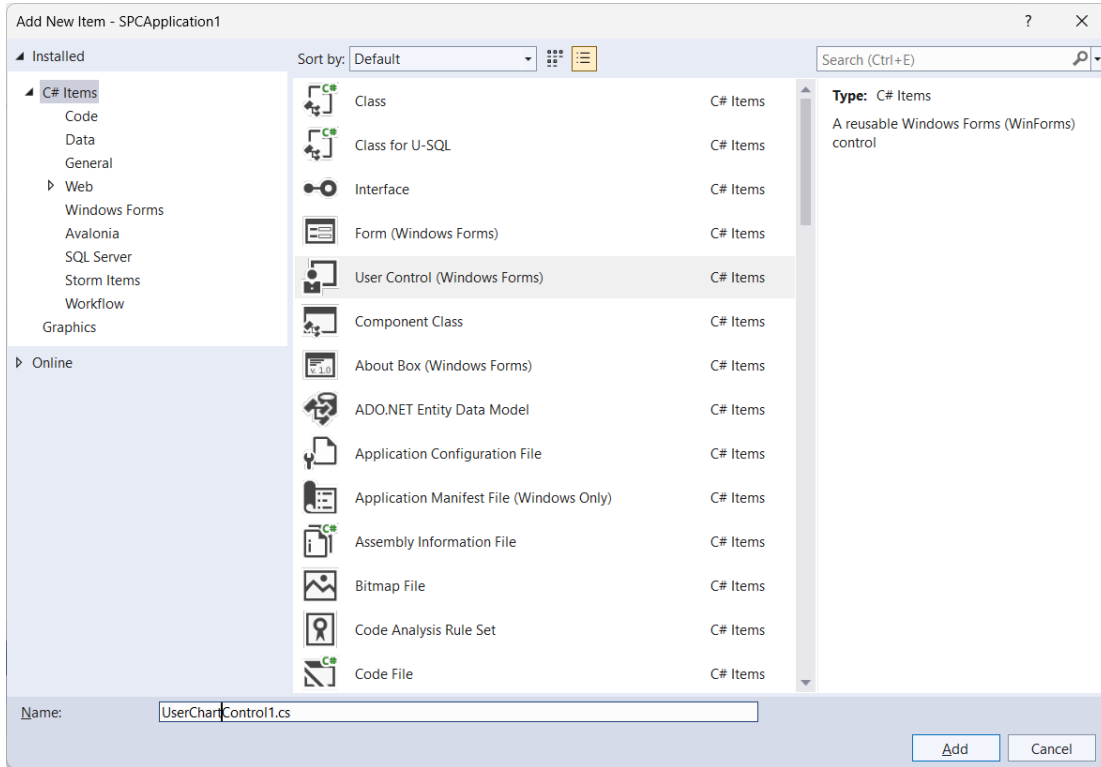
- Right click on Reference in the Solution Explorer window and select **Add Reference**. Browse to the Quinn-Curtis/DotNet/lib subdirectory and select the **QCChart2DNet6.DLL**.
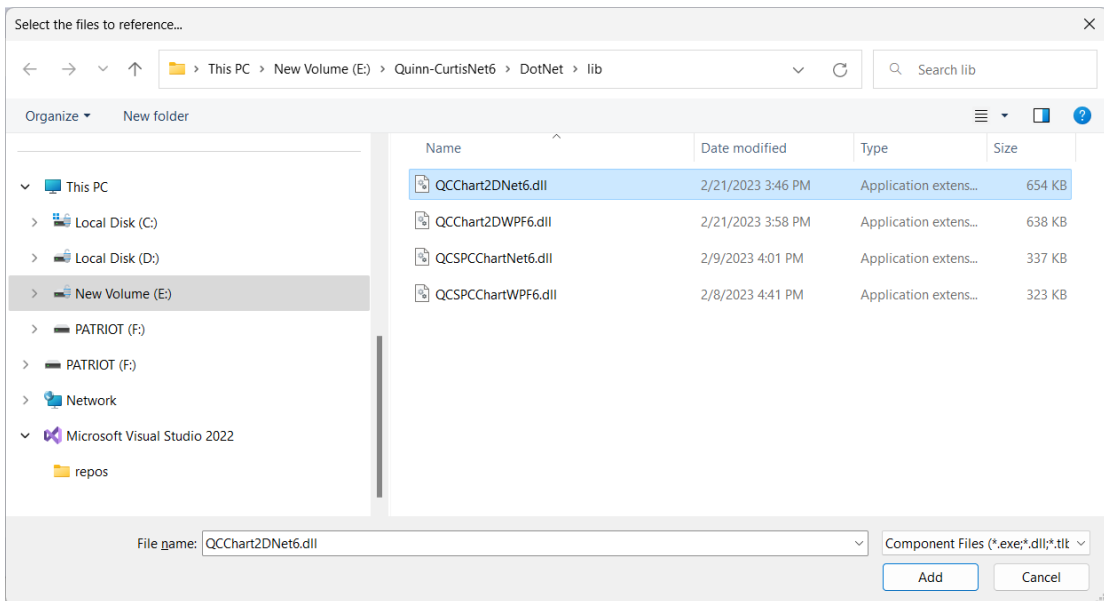
- View the **UserChartControl1.cs** code. Change the base class of **UserChartControl1**to **com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet6.ChartView**. This adds a local version of the control to the project. The C# form code should now look like:

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

namespace UserChartExample1
{
    public partial class UserChartControl1 : UserControl
    {
        public UserChartControl1()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
        }
    }
}
```

- *Critical Step:* Make sure you add the following lines to the top of the **UserChartControl1.cs** code to resolve the QCChart2D and other graphics classes used in the example.

```
using System.Drawing.Drawing2D;
using com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet6;
```

- The step of creating and defining a User Control that inherits from **com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet6.ChartView** only needs to be performed once. Any instance of the control that you add to any form in the project will derive from **UserChartControl1**.

- Build the Solution (**Build | Build Solution**). This will compile the **UserChartControl1** class and make it accessible as a component on the Toolbox and to derive from. If the project fails to compile you need to go back and check the previous steps.

- You can create as many custom chart controls as your application requires. Each custom chart control will inherit from the `com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet6.ChartView` control. Or

- (Optional) You can create inherited controls from the **UserChartControl1** class that you already created. Create an inherited control by selecting **Project | Add Inherited Control**. Give the inherited control a unique name, i.e. **UserChartInheritedControl1**. When you select Open, choose **UserChartControl1** in the Inheritance Picker. The result is new control added to the project. Build the solution and the **UserChartInheritedControl1**control will be added to the Toolbox in addition to the **UserChartControl1**.

- Right click on the **UserChartControl1** form and view the underlying C# code. We placed all of the chart customization code in the **InitializeChart** method. Until this method is called, the **UserChartControl1** appears as an empty shell. Sometimes it is best to call this method from somewhere outside of the class, the Load event of your main form for example, to avoid problems associated debugging errors in user controls at design time.

```csharp
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel;
using System.Drawing;
using System.Data;
using System.Text;
using System.Windows.Forms;
using System.Drawing.Drawing2D;
using com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet6;


namespace UserChartExample1
{
    public partial class UserChartControl1 : ChartView
    {
        public UserChartControl1()
        {
            InitializeComponent();

        }

        public void InitializeChart()
        {
            ChartView chartVu = this;

            Font theFont;
            int numPoints = 95;
            double[] x1 = new double[numPoints];
            double[] y1 = new double[numPoints];
            double[] y2 = new double[numPoints];
            double[] y3 = new double[numPoints];

            int i;

            for (i = 0; i < numPoints; i++)
            {
                x1[i] = (double)(i + 1);
                y1[i] = 20.0 + 50.0 * (1 - Math.Exp(-x1[i] / 20.0));
                y2[i] = y1[i] + ((20 + 0.2 * x1[i]) * (0.6 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()));
                y3[i] = y1[i] + ((20 + 0.4 * x1[i]) * (0.4 - ChartSupport.GetRandomDouble()));
            }

            y2[94] = 10;
            y3[0] = 95;

            theFont = new Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 10, FontStyle.Bold);
            SimpleDataset Dataset1 = new SimpleDataset("First", x1, y1);
            SimpleDataset Dataset2 = new SimpleDataset("Second", x1, y2);
            SimpleDataset Dataset3 = new SimpleDataset("Third", x1, y3);

            CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 = new CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE,
ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE);
            pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset3, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);

            pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.15, .15, .90, 0.7);

            Background background = new Background(pTransform1, ChartObj.PLOT_BACKGROUND, Color.White);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(background);
```

```
            LinearAxis xAxis = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.X_AXIS);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);

            LinearAxis yAxis = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis);

            NumericAxisLabels xAxisLab = new NumericAxisLabels(xAxis);
            xAxisLab.SetTextFont(theFont);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab);

            NumericAxisLabels yAxisLab = new NumericAxisLabels(yAxis);
            yAxisLab.SetTextFont(theFont);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab);

            Font titleFont = new Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 10, FontStyle.Bold);
            AxisTitle yaxistitle = new AxisTitle(yAxis, titleFont, "Measurable work output");
            chartVu.AddChartObject(yaxistitle);

            AxisTitle xaxistitle = new AxisTitle(xAxis, titleFont, "# MBAs/1000 employees");
            chartVu.AddChartObject(xaxistitle);

            Grid xgrid = new Grid(xAxis, yAxis, ChartObj.X_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(xgrid);

            Grid ygrid = new Grid(xAxis, yAxis, ChartObj.Y_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(ygrid);

            ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 1, DashStyle.Solid);
            attrib1.SetFillColor(Color.Blue);
            attrib1.SetFillFlag(true);
            attrib1.SetSymbolSize(10);
            SimpleScatterPlot thePlot1 = new SimpleScatterPlot(pTransform1, Dataset2, ChartObj.CROSS,
attrib1);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);

            ChartAttribute attrib2 = new ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 3, DashStyle.Solid);
            SimpleLinePlot thePlot2 = new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, attrib2);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot2);

            ChartAttribute attrib3 = new ChartAttribute(Color.Red, 1, DashStyle.Solid);
            attrib3.SetFillColor(Color.Red);
            attrib3.SetFillFlag(true);
            attrib3.SetSymbolSize(6);
            SimpleScatterPlot thePlot3 = new SimpleScatterPlot(pTransform1, Dataset3, ChartObj.CIRCLE,
attrib3);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot3);

            ChartText EnronLabel = new ChartText(pTransform1, theFont, "Eronix", x1[94], y2[94],
ChartObj.PHYS_POS);
            EnronLabel.SetXJust(ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MAX);
            EnronLabel.SetYJust(ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MAX);
            EnronLabel.SetTextNudge(-4, 4);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(EnronLabel);

            ChartText IGG = new ChartText(pTransform1, theFont, "Quinn-Curtis", x1[0], y3[0],
ChartObj.PHYS_POS);
            IGG.SetXJust(ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MIN);
            IGG.SetYJust(ChartObj.JUSTIFY_MAX);
            IGG.SetTextNudge(4, 4);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(IGG);

            Font legendFont = new Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 8, FontStyle.Regular);
            ChartAttribute legendAttributes = new ChartAttribute(Color.Gray, 1, DashStyle.Solid);
            legendAttributes.SetFillFlag(false);
            legendAttributes.SetLineFlag(false);
            StandardLegend legend = new StandardLegend(0.01, 0.875, 0.98, 0.075, legendAttributes,
StandardLegend.HORIZ_DIR);
            legend.AddLegendItem("Energy Companies", ChartObj.CROSS, thePlot1, legendFont);
            legend.AddLegendItem("Software Companies", ChartObj.CIRCLE, thePlot3, legendFont);
            legend.AddLegendItem("Predicted", ChartObj.LINE, thePlot2, legendFont);
```

```
            legend.SetLegendItemUniformTextColor(Color.Black);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(legend);

            Font theTitleFont = new Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 14, FontStyle.Bold);
            ChartTitle mainTitle = new ChartTitle(pTransform1, theTitleFont, "Theoretical vs.
Experimental Data ");
            mainTitle.SetTitleType(ChartObj.CHART_HEADER);
            mainTitle.SetTitlePosition(ChartObj.CENTER_GRAPH);

            chartVu.AddChartObject(mainTitle);

            GraphicsPath titleLine = new GraphicsPath();
            titleLine.AddLine(0.1f, 0.1f, 0.9f, 0.1f);
            ChartShape titleLineShape = new ChartShape(pTransform1, titleLine,
                ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS, 0.0, 0.0, ChartObj.NORM_GRAPH_POS, 0);
            titleLineShape.SetLineWidth(3);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(titleLineShape);

            Font theFooterFont = new Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 10, FontStyle.Bold);
            ChartTitle footer = new ChartTitle(pTransform1, theFooterFont, "Scatter plots usually display
some form of sampled data.");
            footer.SetTitleType(ChartObj.CHART_FOOTER);
            footer.SetTitlePosition(ChartObj.CENTER_GRAPH);
            footer.SetTitleOffset(8);
            chartVu.AddChartObject(footer);
            chartVu.SetResizeMode(ChartObj.AUTO_RESIZE_OBJECTS);

            Font toolTipFont = new Font("Microsoft Sans Serif", 10, FontStyle.Regular);
            DataToolTip datatooltip = new DataToolTip(chartVu);
            NumericLabel xValueTemplate = new NumericLabel(ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT, 0);
            NumericLabel yValueTemplate = new NumericLabel(ChartObj.DECIMALFORMAT, 1);
            ChartText textTemplate = new ChartText(toolTipFont, "");
            textTemplate.SetTextBgColor(Color.FromArgb(255, 255, 204));
            textTemplate.SetTextBgMode(true);

            ChartSymbol toolTipSymbol = new ChartSymbol(null, ChartObj.SQUARE, new
ChartAttribute(Color.Green));
            toolTipSymbol.SetSymbolSize(10.0);

            datatooltip.SetTextTemplate(textTemplate);
            datatooltip.SetXValueTemplate(xValueTemplate);
            datatooltip.SetYValueTemplate(yValueTemplate);
            datatooltip.SetDataToolTipFormat(ChartObj.DATA_TOOLTIP_XY_ONELINE);
            datatooltip.SetToolTipSymbol(toolTipSymbol);
            datatooltip.SetEnable(true);

            chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(datatooltip);
        }

        private void UserChartControl1_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
        {
            InitializeChart();
        }

    }
}
```

- Display the **UserChartControl1** in Design mode and double click on it.. This will add a **UserChartControl_Load** method to the **UserChartControl1** class. The chart initialization code will be invoked by this event

```
        private void UserChartControl1_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
        {
            InitializeChart();
        }
```

- Go to the main form, **Form1**. Go to the toolbox and select the **UserChartControl1** from the Windows Forms list. Drop it onto the main form and size it.

- Define the chart by customizing the **UserChartControl1.InitializeChart** method. Our example has copied the initialization code from the **SimpleScatter** class in the **ScatterPlots** example**.**

- You should now be able to compile, run and view the entire project. Any changes you make in the **UserChartControl1** form will be reflected in the application.

# 26. Frequently Asked Questions

## FAQs

1.  Is the **QCChart2D for** *.Net* software backward compatible with the **Charting Tools** *for Windows* and the **Graphics Class Libraries** *for MFC* ?

2.  How do you create a chart with multiple coordinate systems and axes?

3.  Can I add new axes, text objects, plot objects, and images to a chart after it is already displayed; or must I create a new chart from scratch taking into account the additional objects?

4.  How do you zoom charts that use multiple coordinate systems?

5.  How do you select a chart object and create a dialog panel that permits editing of that objects properties?

6.  How do you handle missing data points in a chart?

7.  How do you update a chart in real-time?

8.  How do I prevent flicker when updating my charts on real-time?

9.  How do you implement drill down, or data tool tips in a chart?

10. I do not want to my graph to auto-scale. How do I setup the graph axes for a specific range?

11. How do I update my data, and auto-rescale the chart scales and axes to reflect the new data, after it has already been drawn?

12. When I use the auto-scale and auto-axis routines my semi-log chart has the logarithmic axis scaled using powers of 10 (1, 10,100, 1000, etc.) as the starting and ending values, or as the major tick interval for labeling. How do I make my log graphs start at 20 and end at 50,000, with major tick marks at 20, 200, 2000 and 20000?

13. How do I create and use custom, multi-line string labels as the axis labels for my graph?

14. How do I place more than one graph in a view?

15. How do I use your software to generate GIF files?

16. Sometimes the major tick marks of an axis are missing the associated tick mark label ?

17. How do I change the order the chart objects are drawn? For example, I want one of my grid objects to be drawn under the charts line plot objects, and another grid object to be drawn top of the charts line plot objects.

18. How to I use a Forms scrollbar object to control horizontal scrolling of the data in my chart?

19. I am trying to plot 100,000,000 data points and it takes too long to draw the graph. What is wrong with the software and what can I do to make it faster?

20. How do I get data from my database into a chart?

21. How do I use this charting software to generate chart images "on-the-fly"?

22. Can **QCChart2D for *.Net*** be used to create programs that run like Java applets in web browsers?

1. Is the **QCChart2D for *.Net*** software backward compatible with the **Charting Tools *for Windows*** and the **Graphics Class Libraries *for MFC*** ?

No, the QCChart2D for .Net software is not backward compatible with earlier Quinn-Curtis products. It was developed explicitly for the new .Net programming object oriented programming framework. You should have no problems recreating any charts that you created using our older Windows software; in most cases it will take far fewer lines of code.

2. **How do you create a chart with multiple coordinate systems and axes?**

A chart can have as many coordinate systems and axes as you want. A single coordinate system can have one or more x- and/or y-axes. The most common use for multiple axes in a single coordinate system is to place y-axes on both the left and the right sides of a chart, and x-axes above and below. The left and bottom axes usually have numeric or date labels, and the top and right axes just tick marks. This does not have to be the case though; every axis can have axis labels if you want. In general, the axis position in the chart is determined by its intercept. The default value of the intercept is set to the minimums of the coordinate system that the axis is placed in. Adjusting the intercept using the **SetAxisIntercept** method changes the position of the axis in the chart. The axis intercept value is set using units of the coordinate system at right angles to the axis. The example below, extracted from the LineFill example, places y-axes on both the left and right of the chart.

[C#]

```
TimeAxis xAxis = new TimeAxis(pTransform1);
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);

TimeAxis xAxis = new TimeAxis(pTransform1);
xAxis.SetColor(Color.White);
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);

LinearAxis yAxis = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
// Default places y-axis at miniumum of x-coordinate scale
yAxis.SetColor(Color.White);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis);

LinearAxis yAxis2 = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
yAxis2.SetAxisIntercept(xAxis.GetAxisMax());
yAxis2.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MAX);
yAxis2.SetColor(Color.White);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis2);
```

[VB]

```
Dim xAxis As New TimeAxis(pTransform1)
xAxis.SetColor(Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)

Dim yAxis As New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
' Default places y-axis at miniumum of x-coordinate scale
yAxis.SetColor(Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis)

Dim yAxis2 As New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
yAxis2.SetAxisIntercept(xAxis.GetAxisMax())
yAxis2.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MAX)
yAxis2.SetColor(Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis2)
```

The other common reason to have multiple axes in a chart is to delineate the simultaneous use of different coordinate systems in the chart. In this case each coordinate system has an x- and/or y-axis to differentiate it from the other coordinate systems. When the different coordinate systems are created, they usually overlay the same area of the chart. The default positioning of the axes for each coordinate system will all overlay one another, making the axes unreadable. In the y-axis case you will want to offset additional axes to the left, or to the right of the default axis position, using the **SetAxisIntecept** method. When using the **SetAxisIntercept** method, make sure you specify the position using the units of the coordinate system scale at right angles to the axis. Specify an intercept value outside of the normal scale range to offset the axes so that they do not overlap.  The example below, extracted from the MultiAxes example, creates one x-axis, common to all of the charts because the x-scaling for all of the coordinate systems match, and five y-axes, one for each of the five different coordinate systems.

[C#]

```
CartesianCoordinates pTransform1;
CartesianCoordinates pTransform2;
CartesianCoordinates pTransform3;
CartesianCoordinates pTransform4;
CartesianCoordinates pTransform5;
.
.  // Initialize datasets, coordinate system ranges
```

```
.
// The x-scale range for pTransform1 to pTransform5 are all the same, 0 - 100
// The y-scale range for pTransform1 to pTransform5 are all different

// The plotting area for each pTransform is indentical, leaving a large open
// to the left for extra axes.
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.35, .15, .9, 0.65) ;
pTransform2.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.35, .15, .9, 0.65) ;
pTransform3.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.35, .15, .9, 0.65) ;
pTransform4.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.35, .15, .9, 0.65) ;
pTransform5.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.35, .15, .9, 0.65) ;

ChartAttribute attrib1 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Blue, 2,DashStyle.Solid);
ChartAttribute attrib2 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Red, 2,DashStyle.Solid);
ChartAttribute attrib3 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Green, 2,DashStyle.Solid);
ChartAttribute attrib4 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Orange, 2,DashStyle.Solid);
ChartAttribute attrib5 = new ChartAttribute (Color.Magenta, 2,DashStyle.Solid);

xAxis = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.X_AXIS);
xAxis.SetLineWidth(2);
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);

yAxis1 = new LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
yAxis1.SetAxisIntercept(0.0);
yAxis1.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1); // axis color matches line color
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis1);

yAxis2 = new LinearAxis(pTransform2, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
yAxis2.SetAxisIntercept(-18);
yAxis2.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib2); // axis color matches line color
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis2);

yAxis3 = new LinearAxis(pTransform3, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
yAxis3.SetAxisIntercept(-35);
yAxis3.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib3); // axis color matches line color
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis3);

yAxis4 = new LinearAxis(pTransform4, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
yAxis4.SetAxisIntercept(-52);
yAxis4.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib4); // axis color matches line color
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis4);

yAxis5 = new LinearAxis(pTransform5, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
yAxis5.SetAxisIntercept(xAxis.GetAxisMax());
yAxis5.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MAX);
yAxis5.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib5); // axis color matches line color
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis5);

NumericAxisLabels xAxisLab = new NumericAxisLabels(xAxis);
xAxisLab.SetTextFont(theFont);
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab);

NumericAxisLabels yAxisLab1 = new NumericAxisLabels(yAxis1);
yAxisLab1.SetTextFont(theFont);
yAxisLab1.SetAxisLabelsFormat(ChartObj.BUSINESSFORMAT);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab1);

NumericAxisLabels yAxisLab2 = new NumericAxisLabels(yAxis2);
yAxisLab2.SetTextFont(theFont);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab2);

NumericAxisLabels yAxisLab3 = new NumericAxisLabels(yAxis3);
yAxisLab3.SetTextFont(theFont);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab3);

NumericAxisLabels yAxisLab4 = new NumericAxisLabels(yAxis4);
yAxisLab4.SetTextFont(theFont);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab4);

NumericAxisLabels yAxisLab5 = new NumericAxisLabels(yAxis5);
yAxisLab5.SetTextFont(theFont);
```

```
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab5);

Font axisTitleFont = new Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Bold);
AxisTitle xaxistitle = new AxisTitle( xAxis, axisTitleFont, "Event Partition");
chartVu.AddChartObject(xaxistitle);

Grid xgrid = new Grid(xAxis, yAxis1,ChartObj.X_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR);
chartVu.AddChartObject(xgrid);

SimpleLinePlot thePlot1 = new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, attrib1);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1);

SimpleLinePlot thePlot2 = new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform2, Dataset2, attrib2);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot2);

SimpleLinePlot thePlot3 = new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform3, Dataset3, attrib3);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot3);

SimpleLinePlot thePlot4 = new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform4, Dataset4, attrib4);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot4);

SimpleLinePlot thePlot5 = new SimpleLinePlot(pTransform5, Dataset5, attrib5);
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot5);
```

## [VB]

```
Dim pTransform1 As CartesianCoordinates
Dim pTransform2 As CartesianCoordinates
Dim pTransform3 As CartesianCoordinates
Dim pTransform4 As CartesianCoordinates
Dim pTransform5 As CartesianCoordinates
Dim xAxis As LinearAxis
Dim yAxis1 As LinearAxis
Dim yAxis2 As LinearAxis
Dim yAxis3 As LinearAxis
Dim yAxis4 As LinearAxis
Dim yAxis5 As LinearAxis
.
.  ' Initialize datasets, coordinate system ranges
.
' The x-scale range for pTransform1 to pTransform5 are all the same, 0 - 100
' The y-scale range for pTransform1 to pTransform5 are all different

pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.35, 0.15, 0.9, 0.65)
pTransform2.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.35, 0.15, 0.9, 0.65)
pTransform3.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.35, 0.15, 0.9, 0.65)
pTransform4.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.35, 0.15, 0.9, 0.65)
pTransform5.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.35, 0.15, 0.9, 0.65)

Dim background As New Background(pTransform1,
        ChartObj.GRAPH_BACKGROUND, Color.White)
chartVu.AddChartObject(background)

Dim attrib1 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Blue, 2, DashStyle.Solid)
Dim attrib2 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Red, 2, DashStyle.Solid)
Dim attrib3 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Green, 2, DashStyle.Solid)
Dim attrib4 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Orange, 2, DashStyle.Solid)
Dim attrib5 As New ChartAttribute(Color.Magenta, 2, DashStyle.Solid)

xAxis = New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.X_AXIS)
xAxis.SetLineWidth(2)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)

yAxis1 = New LinearAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
yAxis1.SetAxisIntercept(0.0)
yAxis1.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib1) ' axis color matches line color
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis1)

yAxis2 = New LinearAxis(pTransform2, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
yAxis2.SetAxisIntercept(-18)
```

```
yAxis2.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib2) ' axis color matches line color
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis2)

yAxis3 = New LinearAxis(pTransform3, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
yAxis3.SetAxisIntercept(-35)
yAxis3.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib3) ' axis color matches line color
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis3)

yAxis4 = New LinearAxis(pTransform4, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
yAxis4.SetAxisIntercept(-52)
yAxis4.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib4) ' axis color matches line color
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis4)

yAxis5 = New LinearAxis(pTransform5, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)
yAxis5.SetAxisIntercept(xAxis.GetAxisMax())
yAxis5.SetAxisTickDir(ChartObj.AXIS_MAX)
yAxis5.SetChartObjAttributes(attrib5) ' axis color matches line color
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis5)

Dim xAxisLab As New NumericAxisLabels(xAxis)
xAxisLab.SetTextFont(theFont)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab)

Dim yAxisLab1 As New NumericAxisLabels(yAxis1)
yAxisLab1.SetTextFont(theFont)
yAxisLab1.SetAxisLabelsFormat(ChartObj.BUSINESSFORMAT)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab1)

Dim yAxisLab2 As New NumericAxisLabels(yAxis2)
yAxisLab2.SetTextFont(theFont)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab2)

Dim yAxisLab3 As New NumericAxisLabels(yAxis3)
yAxisLab3.SetTextFont(theFont)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab3)

Dim yAxisLab4 As New NumericAxisLabels(yAxis4)
yAxisLab4.SetTextFont(theFont)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab4)

Dim yAxisLab5 As New NumericAxisLabels(yAxis5)
yAxisLab5.SetTextFont(theFont)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxisLab5)

Dim axisTitleFont As New Font("SansSerif", 10, FontStyle.Bold)
Dim xaxistitle As New AxisTitle(xAxis, axisTitleFont, "Event Partition")
chartVu.AddChartObject(xaxistitle)

Dim xgrid As New Grid(xAxis, yAxis1, ChartObj.X_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xgrid)

Dim thePlot1 As New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform1, Dataset1, attrib1)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot1)

Dim thePlot2 As New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform2, Dataset2, attrib2)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot2)

Dim thePlot3 As New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform3, Dataset3, attrib3)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot3)

Dim thePlot4 As New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform4, Dataset4, attrib4)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot4)

Dim thePlot5 As New SimpleLinePlot(pTransform5, Dataset5, attrib5)
chartVu.AddChartObject(thePlot5)
```

3.  **Can I add new axes, text objects, plot objects, and images to a chart after it is already displayed; or must I create a new chart from scratch taking into account the additional objects?**

There are two ways to add new objects to a chart. The first way is to create all objects when the chart is initially created, but disable the ones that you do not want to show up when the chart is initially rendered. Enable the objects when you want them to show up. Use the chart objects **SetChartObjEnable** method to enable/disable the object. This is useful if you are creating an animated chart where you want the chart to sequence through a predefined series of steps. The second way you add new chart objects to the **ChartView** using the **ChartView.AddChartObject** method. In both cases you need to call the **ChartView.UpdateDraw()** method after any changes are made.

The example below, extracted from the **CustomChartDataCursor** class, creates a new **Marker** object and **NumericLabel** object each time a mouse button clicked.

[C#]

```csharp
Marker amarker = new  Marker(GetChartObjScale(), MARKER_BOX,
          nearestPoint.GetX(), nearestPoint.GetY(),  10.0, PHYS_POS);
chartVu.AddChartObject(amarker);
rNumericLabelCntr += 1.0;
// Add a numeric label the identifies the marker
pointLabel = new NumericLabel(GetChartObjScale(),
          textCoordsFont, rNumericLabelCntr, nearestPoint.GetX(),
          nearestPoint.GetY(), PHYS_POS, DECIMALFORMAT, 0);
// Nudge text to the right and up so that it does not write over marker
pointLabel.SetTextNudge(5,-5);
chartVu.AddChartObject(pointLabel);
chartVu.UpdateDraw();
```

[VB]

```vb
Dim amarker As New Marker(GetChartObjScale(), MARKER_BOX, nearestPoint.GetX(),
          nearestPoint.GetY(), 10.0, PHYS_POS)
chartview.AddChartObject(amarker)
rNumericLabelCntr += 1.0
' Add a numeric label the identifies the marker
pointLabel = New NumericLabel(GetChartObjScale(), textCoordsFont,
          rNumericLabelCntr, nearestPoint.GetX(), nearestPoint.GetY(),
          PHYS_POS, DECIMALFORMAT, 0)
 ' Nudge text to the right and up so that it does not write over marker
pointLabel.SetTextNudge(5, -5)
chartview.AddChartObject(pointLabel)
chartview.UpdateDraw()
```

4. **How do you zoom charts that use multiple coordinate systems?**

The **ChartZoom** class will zoom one or more simultaneous coordinate systems. The example program SuperZoom zooms a chart that has one x-axis and five y-axes. Use the **ChartZoom** constructor that accepts an array of coordinate system objects.

5. **How do you select a chart object and create a dialog panel that permits editing of that objects properties?**

The **QCChart2D for .***Net* library does not include predefined dialogs for editing chart object properties. The look, feel and details of such dialogs are application

specific and it is up to the application programmer to provide these. The property editor tables common to many packages are designed to be used by developers, not end users.

You can add your own dialogs that edit the characteristics important to your end users. If you want to select the chart object by pressing a mouse button while the cursor is on the object, use the **FindObj** class. Override the **OnMouseDown** method and invoke the appropriate dialog panel there. The following example is extracted from the EditChartExample example program.

[C#]

```csharp
public class LinePlot : EditChartExample.UserChartControl1
{
    private System.ComponentModel.IContainer components = null;
    public TimeAxis xAxis = null;
    public LinearAxis yAxis = null;
    class CustomFindObj: FindObj
    {
       LinePlot currentObj = null;
        public CustomFindObj(LinePlot component): base(component)
        {
            currentObj = component;
        }

        public void InvokeLineDialog(GraphObj graphobj)
        {
            EditLineDialog linedialog = null;
            linedialog = new EditLineDialog(graphobj);
            if (liedialog.ShowDialog(this.GetChartObjComponent()) ==

                DialogResult.OK )
            {
                selectedObj.SetColor( linedialog.GetLineColor());
                selectedObj.SetLineStyle(linedialog.GetLineStyle());
                selectedObj.SetLineWidth(linedialog.GetLineWidth());
            }
        }

        public void InvokeTextDialog(ChartText textobj)
        {
            EditTextDialog textdialog = null;
            textdialog = new EditTextDialog(textobj);
            if (textdialog.ShowDialog(this.GetChartObjComponent())==
                    DialogResult.OK )
            {
                textobj.SetTextString(textdialog.GetString());
                textobj.SetTextFont(textdialog.GetFont());
            }
        }

        public override void OnMouseDown (MouseEventArgs mouseevent)
        {
         base.OnMouseDown(mouseevent);
         GraphObj  selectedObj = GetSelectedObject();
        if (selectedObj != null)
        {
                // Check for a specific object
            if ( (selectedObj == currentObj.xAxis) ||
                (selectedObj == currentObj.yAxis) ||
                // or check for for all classes inheriting from a specific type
                (ChartSupport.IsKindOf(selectedObj,"SimpleLinePlot")) ||
                // or Check for a specific object type
            ChartSupport.IsType(selectedObj,"com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet6.Grid")))
                {
```

```
                          InvokeLineDialog(selectedObj);
                } else
                  if (ChartSupport.IsKindOf(selectedObj,"ChartText"))
                    InvokeTextDialog((ChartText)selectedObj);
                this.GetChartObjComponent().UpdateDraw();
        }
    }
}
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Public Class LinePlot
    Inherits EditChartExample.UserChartControl1

    Public xAxis As TimeAxis
    Public yAxis As LinearAxis

     Class CustomFindObj
        Inherits FindObj
        Dim currentObj As LINEPLOT

        Public Sub New(ByVal component As ChartView)
          MyBase.New(component)
          currentObj = component
        End Sub 'New


        Sub InvokeLineDialog(ByVal graphobj As GraphObj)
          Dim linedialog As EditLineDialog
              linedialog = New EditLineDialog(graphobj)
            If (linedialog.ShowDialog(Me.GetChartObjComponent()) = _
                DialogResult.OK) Then
              selectedObj.SetColor(linedialog.GetLineColor())
              selectedObj.SetLineStyle(linedialog.GetLineStyle())
              selectedObj.SetLineWidth(linedialog.GetLineWidth())
            End If
          End Sub

         Public Sub InvokeTextDialog(ByVal textobj As ChartText)
           Dim textdialog As EditTextDialog
           textdialog = New EditTextDialog(textobj)
           If (textdialog.ShowDialog(Me.GetChartObjComponent()) =
               DialogResult.OK) Then
           textobj.SetTextString(textdialog.GetString())
           textobj.SetTextFont(textdialog.GetFont())
          End If
          End Sub

          Public Overrides Sub OnMouseDown(ByVal mouseevent As MouseEventArgs)

             MyBase.OnMouseDown(mouseevent)
             Dim selectedObj As GraphObj = GetSelectedObject()
             If (selectedObj Is Nothing) Then Return

             ' Check for a specific object
             If ((selectedObj Is currentObj.xAxis) Or _
                 (selectedObj Is currentObj.yAxis) Or _
                 (ChartSupport.IsKindOf(selectedObj, "SimpleLinePlot")) Or _
                 (ChartSupport.IsType(selectedObj, _
"com.quinncurtis.chart2dnet6.Grid"))) Then
                 InvokeLineDialog(selectedObj)
             ElseIf (ChartSupport.IsKindOf(selectedObj, "ChartText")) Then
                 InvokeTextDialog(selectedObj)
             End If
             Me.GetChartObjComponent().UpdateDraw()
          End Sub

    End Class
```

The **LineDialog** and **TextDialog** classes are derived from **System.Windows.Forms.Form** and need to be written by the programmer. Sample classes are found in the EditChartExample example. The sample **LineDialog** class uses the **System.Windows.Forms.ColorDialog** to select the color of line objects. The **TextDialog** class uses the **System.Windows.Forms.FontDialog** to select the text attributes associated with a font.

### 6.  How do you handle missing data points in a chart?

There are two ways to handle missing, or bad data. The first is to mark the data point in the dataset invalid, using the datasets **SetValidData** method. The second is to set the x- and/or y- value of the bad data point to the designated bad data value, **ChartObj.rBadDataValue**. Currently this value is set equal to the value of System.Double.MaxValue. Either method will prevent the data point from being displayed in a chart. If the bad data value is part of a line plot, a gap will appear in the line plot at that point. Bad data points are not deleted from a dataset.

### 7.  How do you update a chart in real-time?

In general, real-time updates involve adding new objects to a chart, or modifying existing objects that are already in the chart. Once the object is added or changed, call the **ChartView.UpdateDraw()** method to force the chart to update using the new values. Objects can be added or modified based on some external event, or in response to a timer event created using **System.Timers.Timer**. Make all changes for a given event and call the **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method once. The position of most **GraphObj** derived objects is set or modified using one of the objects **SetLocation** methods. New data points can be added to an existing dataset using one of the datasets **AddDataPoint**, **AddTimeDataPoint**, **AddGroupDataPoints** or **AddTimeGroupDataPoints** methods. **ChartPlot** derived objects that use datasets will update to reflect the new values when the **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method is called. If the coordinates of the new data points are outside of the x- and y-limits of the current coordinate system it may be necessary to rescale the coordinate system so that the new points show up; otherwise the new data points will be clipped. The new scale values can be set explicitly, or calculated using one of the auto-scale methods. The example programs SpectrumAnalyzer, DataLogger, DynPieChart and ScrollingMixedPlot all demonstrate various ways to update charts in real-time.

If you want to change points in an existing dataset, but not the size of the dataset, call the datasets appropriate **SetXDataValue**, **SetYDataValue**, or **SetDataPoint** methods. The dataset has its own copy of the data so you must change these values, not the original values you used to initialize the dataset. If you plan to change every value in the dataset, you can do that point by point, or create a new dataset and swap that in for the old dataset using the plot objects **SetDataset** or **SetGroupDataset** method.

Call the **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method to force the chart to update using the new values.

**8.   How do I prevent flicker when updating my charts on real-time?**

Flicker is the result of erasing and redrawing all or part of a chart in the current display buffer. Double buffering of screen images can minimize any flicker. The **ChartView** class does the actual work of rendering a chart image to the underlying **UserControl** display buffer. The **UserControl** class uses double buffering for the display of all screen images. When a chart is updated it is automatically rendered to an off-screen bitmap. When drawing is complete the off-screen bitmap is copied to the screen display buffer, minimizing the effect of flicker.

**9.   How do you implement drill down, or data tool tips in a chart?**

Implementing drill down or tool tips consists of three major parts:

- Trapping a mouse event and determining the mouse cursor position in device and physical coordinates.

- Identifying the chart object that intersects the mouse event.

- Displaying appropriate information about the chart object.

There are many classes that aid in one or more of these functions. The **MouseListener** class will trap a mouse event in the chart view. The **FindObj** class will filter and return the chart object, if any, that intersects the mouse cursor when a mouse button is pressed. The **MoveObj** class will filter, select and move a chart object as the mouse is dragged across the chart. The **DataToolTip** class will find the data point in a chart nearest the mouse cursor and display xy information about the data point as a popup **ChartText** display. The **DataToolTip** can also be customized for the display of custom information about the selected data point. It only takes a few lines to add a simple y-value tool tip to an existing chart.

[C#]

```
DataToolTip datatooltip = new DataToolTip(chartVu);
datatooltip.SetEnable(true);
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(datatooltip);
```

 [Visual Basic]

```
Dim datatooltip As New DataToolTip(chartVu)
datatooltip.SetEnable(True)
chartVu.SetCurrentMouseListener(datatooltip)
```

Some of the example programs that include tool tips include LineFill, Multiline, LinePlotSegments, StackedLineChart, Logarithmic, SimpleBarChart, GroupBarPlotChart, DoubleBarPlot, OpeningScreen, OHLCFinPlot and LabeledPieChart.

## 10. I do not want to my graph to auto-scale. How do I setup the graph axes for a specific range?

Auto-scaling has two parts. The first is the auto-scaling of the coordinate system based on one or more datasets. The second part is the auto-scaling of the axes that reside in the coordinate system. Manually scale the coordinate system and axes by calling the appropriate constructors. For example:

[C#]

```
ChartCalendar xMin = new ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY,  5);
ChartCalendar xMax = new ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY,  5);
double yMin = 0;
double yMax =  105;

TimeCoordinates simpleTimeScale;
simpleTimeScale = new TimeCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax);
// Create the time axis (x-axis is assumed)
TimeAxis xAxis = new TimeAxis(simpleTimeScale);
// Create the linear y-axis
LinearAxis yAxis = new LinearAxis(simpleTimeScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);

// Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
ChartView chartVu  = new ChartView();

// Add the x- and y-axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xMin As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(1996, ChartObj.FEBRUARY, 5)
Dim xMax As ChartCalendar = New ChartCalendar(2002, ChartObj.JANUARY, 5)
Dim yMin As Double = 0
Dim yMax As Double = 105

Dim simpleTimeScale As TimeCoordinates
simpleTimeScale = New TimeCoordinates(xMin, yMin, xMax, yMax)
' Create the time axis (x-axis is assumed)
Dim xAxis As TimeAxis = New TimeAxis(simpleTimeScale)
' Create the linear y-axis
Dim yAxis As LinearAxis = New LinearAxis(simpleTimeScale, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)

' Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()

' Add the x- and y-axes to the chartVu object
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)
chartVu.AddChartObject(yAxis)
```

The documentation for the various coordinate system and axis classes includes examples of manual scaling.

### 11. How do I update my data, and auto-rescale the chart scales and axes to reflect the new data, after it has already been drawn?

Updating data was discussed in FAQ # 6. If you want the chart to rescale based on the new data, call the appropriate coordinate systems auto-scale method, followed by the auto-axis methods of all related axes. Then call the **ChartView.UpdateDraw** method. For example:

[C#]

```
// Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
TimeSimpleDataset Dataset1 =  new TimeSimpleDataset("Sales",x1,y1);

TimeCoordinates simpleTimeCoordinates = new TimeCoordinates();
simpleTimeCoordinates.AutoScale(Dataset1,
        ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR , ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
ChartView chartVu  = new ChartView();
// Create the time axis (x-axis is assumed)
TimeAxis xAxis = new TimeAxis(simpleTimeCoordinates);
// Create the linear y-axis
LinearAxis yAxis = new LinearAxis( simpleTimeCoordinates, ChartObj.Y_AXIS);
.
.
.
// The following code would be in the code handling the rescale event
// Rescale chart based on a modified Dataset1 datset
simpleTimeCoordinates.AutoScale(Dataset1,
                   ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR , ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);
xAxis.CalcAutoAxis();
yAxis.CalcAutoAxis();
// Redraw the chart using the rescaled coordinate system and axes
chartVu.UpdateDraw();
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim Dataset1 As TimeSimpleDataset = New TimeSimpleDataset("Sales", x1, y1)
Dim simpleTimeCoordinates As TimeCoordinates = New TimeCoordinates()
simpleTimeCoordinates.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, _
        ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
Dim chartVu As ChartView = New ChartView()
' Create the time axis (x-axis is assumed)
Dim xAxis As TimeAxis = New TimeAxis(simpleTimeCoordinates)
' Create the linear y-axis
Dim yAxis As LinearAxis = New LinearAxis(simpleTimeCoordinates, ChartObj.Y_AXIS)

' The following code would be in the code handling the rescale event
' Rescale chart based on a modified Dataset1 datset
simpleTimeCoordinates.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, _
        ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)
xAxis.CalcAutoAxis()
yAxis.CalcAutoAxis()
' Redraw the chart using the rescaled coordinate system and axes
chartVu.UpdateDraw()
```

**12. When I use the auto-scale and auto-axis routines my semi-log chart has the log axis scaled using powers of 10 (1, 10,100, 1000, etc.) as the starting and ending values, or as the major tick interval for labeling. How do I make my log graphs start at 20 and end at 50,000, with major tick marks at 20, 200, 2000 and 20000?**

The auto-scale routines for logarithmic coordinate systems will always select a power of 10 for the minimum and maximum value of the scale. You can use the auto-scale routine and then override the minimum and/or maximum values for the logarithmic scale. The default **LogAxis** constructor will pick up on the minimum of the coordinate system and use that as the axis tick mark origin. Or you can leave the coordinate system unchanged, and change the starting point of the axis tick marks using the axis **SetAxisTickOrigin** method. The example below is derived from the Logarithmic example code.

[C#]

```
GroupDataset Dataset1 =  new GroupDataset("First",x1,y1);

CartesianCoordinates pTransform1 =  new CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LOG_SCALE,
                                    ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE);
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR,  ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR);

pTransform1.SetScaleStartX(20); // Force start of scale at 20, AutoScale will
                                // always choose a power of 10 decade.
LogAxis xAxis = new LogAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.X_AXIS);
xAxis.SetAxisTickOrigin(20);
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
 ' Create the ChartView object to place graph objects in.
 Dim Dataset1 As GroupDataset = New GroupDataset("First", x1, y1)

 Dim pTransform1 As CartesianCoordinates = _
            New CartesianCoordinates(ChartObj.LOG_SCALE, ChartObj.LINEAR_SCALE)
pTransform1.AutoScale(Dataset1, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR, ChartObj.AUTOAXES_FAR)

pTransform1.SetScaleStartX(20) ' Force start of scale at 20, AutoScale will
' always choose a power of 10 decade.
Dim xAxis As LogAxis = New LogAxis(pTransform1, ChartObj.X_AXIS)
xAxis.SetAxisTickOrigin(20)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxis)
```

**13. How do I create and use custom, multi-line string labels as the axis labels for my graph?**

The **StringAxisLabels** class should be used to create multi-line axis labels. Insert the "\n" new line character to add additional lines to each string used to define the string axis labels. The example below is from the AxisLabels example program.

[C#]

```
String []xstringlabels =
```

```
                {
                  "",
                  "Western"+"\n"+"Sales"+"\n"+"Region",
                  "Eastern"+"\n"+"Sales"+"\n"+"Region",
                  "Southern"+"\n"+"Sales"+"\n"+"Region",
                  "Northern"+"\n"+"Sales"+"\n"+"Region"};

      StringAxisLabels xAxisLab5 = new StringAxisLabels(xAxis5);
      xAxisLab5.SetAxisLabelsStrings(xstringlabels,5);
      xAxisLab5.SetTextFont(graph5Font);
      chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab5);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim xstringlabels As [String]() = {"", "Western" + ControlChars.Lf + "Sales" + _
    ControlChars.Lf + "Region", "Eastern" + ControlChars.Lf + "Sales" + _
    ControlChars.Lf + "Region", "Southern" + ControlChars.Lf + "Sales" + _
    ControlChars.Lf + "Region", "Northern" + ControlChars.Lf + "Sales" + _
    ControlChars.Lf + "Region"}

Dim xAxisLab5 As New StringAxisLabels(xAxis5)
xAxisLab5.SetAxisLabelsStrings(xstringlabels, 5)
xAxisLab5.SetTextFont(graph5Font)
chartVu.AddChartObject(xAxisLab5)
```

### 14. How do I place more than one graph in a view?

One way to create multiple charts is to create multiple instances of the **ChartView** class and add each **ChartView** object to a container object such as a **UserControl**. A layout manager manages the position and size of each **ChartView**. Another way is to place multiple charts in the same **ChartView** object. This makes it easier to guarantee alignment between the axes of separate graphs. The trick to doing this is to create separate coordinate system objects (**CartesianCoordinates**, **TimeCoordinates** or **PolarCoordinates**) for each chart, and to position the plot area of each coordinate system so that they do not overlap. Use one of the coordinate systems **SetGraphBorder**… methods. Many of the examples use this technique, including GroupBarPlotChart, DoubleBarPlot, OHLFinPlot, FinOptions, DynPieChart, PieAndLineChart and PieAndBarChart. The example below was extracted from the OHLCFinPlot class.

[C#]

```
pTransform1 = new TimeCoordinates();
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, .15, .90, 0.6) ;

pTransform2 = new TimeCoordinates();
pTransform2.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, .7, .90, 0.875) ;
```

[Visual Basic]

```
pTransform1 = new TimeCoordinates()
pTransform1.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, .15, .90, 0.6)

pTransform2 = new TimeCoordinates()
pTransform2.SetGraphBorderDiagonal(0.1, .7, .90, 0.875)
```

### 15. How do I use your software to generate GIF files?

Unlike the JPEG image file format, the GIF file format uses a proprietary data compression algorithm known as LZW. The patent on the LZW compression algorithm is owned by the large computer/data processing company Unisys. Programmers who write commercial applications that use this file format may be subject to paying Unisys royalties. For this reason we do not intent to write any code that explicitly supports the GIF file format. If you, after having considered all of the alternatives, still require GIF files then create a **System.Drawing.Imaging.ImageFormat** instance that uses a GIF image format and use that to initialize the **chart2dnet.BufferedImage** class. The same holds true for all image formats

### 16. Sometimes the major tick marks of an axis are missing the associated tick mark label ?

The axis labeling routines are quite intelligent. Before the label is drawn at its calculated position, the software does a check to see if the bounding box of the new axis label intersects the bounding box of the previous axis label. If the new label is going to overlap the previous label, the label is skipped. You can override this default behavior by calling the objects **SetOverlapLabelMode** method.

```
SetOverlapLabelMode (ChartObj.OVERLAP_LABEL_DRAW);
```

Another option, for horizontal axes only, is to stagger the tick mark labels. A stagger automatically alternates the line on which the tick mark label is placed.

```
SetOverlapLabelMode (ChartObj.OVERLAP_LABEL_STAGGER);
```

### 17. How do I change the order the chart objects are drawn? For example, I want one of my grid objects to be drawn under the charts line plot objects, and another grid object to be drawn top of the charts line plot objects.

There are two ordering methods used to render chart objects. The first method renders the objects in order, as added to the **ChartView** object. Objects added to the view last are drawn on top of objects added first. The second method renders the objects according to their z-order. Objects with the lowest z-order values are rendered first. Objects with equal z-order values are rendered in the ordered they are added to the **ChartView** object. The second method (z-order rendering) is the default method of object rendering used by the **ChartView** class. This default behavior can be changed by call the **ChartView.SetZOrderSortEnable(false**) method.

You can change the default z-order value on an object-by-object basis. Call the **GraphObj.SetZOrder** method to change the z-order for any given object.

See the section in the manual titled *Rendering Order of GraphObj Objects* for information about the default z-values for all chart objects

The example below sets the z-order value of grid1 to something less than the default value (50) of **ChartPlot** objects, and the z-order value of grid2 to something greater than the default value.

[C#]

```
ChartView chartVu = new ChartView();
.
.
.
Grid grid1 =  new Grid(xAxis, yAxis, ChartObj.Y_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR);
grid1.SetZOrder(40); // This is actually the default value for the grid z-order
chartVu.AddChartObject(grid1);

Grid grid2 =  new Grid(xAxis, yAxis, ChartObj.Y_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MINOR);
grid2.SetZOder(150); // Grid is drawn after ChartPlot objects
                     // which have default z-value of 50
chartVu.AddChartObject(grid2);
```

[Visual Basic]

```
Dim chartVu As ChartView = new ChartView()
.
.
.
Dim grid1 As Grid =  new Grid(xAxis, yAxis, ChartObj.Y_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MAJOR)
grid1.SetZOrder(40) ' This is actually the default value for the grid z-order
chartVu.AddChartObject(grid1)

Dim grid2 As Grid =  new Grid(xAxis, yAxis, ChartObj.Y_AXIS, ChartObj.GRID_MINOR)
grid2.SetZOder(150) ' Grid is drawn after ChartPlot objects
                    ' which have default z-value of 50
chartVu.AddChartObject(grid2)
```

**18. How to I use a ScrollBar object to control horizontal scrolling of the data in my chart?**

Since the **ChartView** class is derived from **UserControl**, you can place the scroll bar in the **ChartView** object, or you can place the **ChartView** object and the scroll bar in a parent container and use a layout manager to position everything. If you place the scroll bar in the **ChartView** you can still position it using a layout manager. The **ChartView** will always use the entire content area of the underlying **UserControl** for its canvas and the scroll bars will sit on top of this, not side by side. The example program LinePlotScrollBar uses two scroll bars, a horizontal scroll bar to control scrolling of the x-axis, and a vertical scroll bar that controls the magnitude of the y-axis. You need to add hScrollBar1_Scroll and vScrollBar1_Scroll event listeners to the **ChartView** class to process changes in scroll bar values.

[C#]

```csharp
public void UpdateXScaleAndAxes(int index)
{
    int startindex = index;
    pTransform1.SetScaleStartX( (double) startindex);
    pTransform1.SetScaleStopX( (double) (startindex + 100));
    xAxis.CalcAutoAxis();
    yAxis.CalcAutoAxis();
    xAxisLab.CalcAutoAxisLabels();
    yAxisLab.CalcAutoAxisLabels();
    this.UpdateDraw();
}

public void UpdateYScaleAndAxes(int index)
{
    int startindex = index;
    pTransform1.SetScaleStartY( (double) -startindex);
    pTransform1.SetScaleStopY( (double) startindex);
    xAxis.CalcAutoAxis();
    yAxis.CalcAutoAxis();
    xAxisLab.CalcAutoAxisLabels();
    yAxisLab.CalcAutoAxisLabels();
    this.UpdateDraw();
}

private void hScrollBar1_Scroll(object sender,
                        System.Windows.Forms.ScrollEventArgs e)
{
    UpdateXScaleAndAxes(hScrollBar1.Value);
}

private void vScrollBar1_Scroll(object sender,
                        System.Windows.Forms.ScrollEventArgs e)
{
    UpdateYScaleAndAxes(vScrollBar1.Value);
}
```

[Visual Basic]

```vb
Public Sub UpdateXScaleAndAxes(ByVal index As Integer)
   Dim startindex As Integer = index
   pTransform1.SetScaleStartX(CDbl(startindex))
   pTransform1.SetScaleStopX(CDbl(startindex + 100))
   xAxis.CalcAutoAxis()
   yAxis.CalcAutoAxis()
   xAxisLab.CalcAutoAxisLabels()
   yAxisLab.CalcAutoAxisLabels()
   Me.UpdateDraw()
End Sub 'UpdateXScaleAndAxes


Public Sub UpdateYScaleAndAxes(ByVal index As Integer)
   Dim startindex As Integer = index
   pTransform1.SetScaleStartY(CDbl(-startindex))
   pTransform1.SetScaleStopY(CDbl(startindex))
   xAxis.CalcAutoAxis()
   yAxis.CalcAutoAxis()
   xAxisLab.CalcAutoAxisLabels()
   yAxisLab.CalcAutoAxisLabels()
   Me.UpdateDraw()
 End Sub 'UpdateYScaleAndAxes

Private Sub HScrollBar2_Scroll(ByVal sender As System.Object, _
    ByVal e As System.Windows.Forms.ScrollEventArgs)
    If Not (Me.IsDesignMode) Then
      UpdateXScaleAndAxes(HScrollBar1.Value)
    End If
End Sub

Private Sub VScrollBar2_Scroll(ByVal sender As System.Object, _
```

```
   ByVal e As System.Windows.Forms.ScrollEventArgs)
   If Not (Me.IsDesignMode) Then
      UpdateYScaleAndAxes(VScrollBar1.Value)
   End If
End Sub
```

There are many other examples of Form components interacting with charts. The ContourLinePlot example program uses a **CheckBox** object to specify which contours are to be displayed. The CandlestickWithTable example continuously updates a **DataGrid** (the base class for the MyDataGrid class) table with open-high-low-close data and simultaneously updates a chart with the same data. The scrolling action of the **DataGrid** is synchronized with the chart. In the OHLCFinPlot example a **Scrollbar** controls the time axis of a stock market OHLC chart. The MultiAxes example uses **Button** objects to select the x-axis range.

**19. I am trying to plot 100,000,000 data points and it takes too long to draw the graph. What is wrong with the software and what can I do to make it faster?**

The software runs as fast as we can make it. We do not have any hidden switches that will speed up the software. What you need to do is to step back and think about the best way to display your data.

A fundamental issue that many programmers fail to consider is the relationship between the resolution of the rasterized screen image of the plot and the resolution of the data. A typical chart image will have 500-1000 pixels as the horizontal resolution of the plotting area. This would imply that in the 100M data point example above, every horizontal pixel would represent 50K to 100K data points. Obviously this is a terrible mismatch. In fact it is a bad match for datasets that have more than a couple of thousands points.

So what you do is compress the data before it is displayed. Take the 100M data points and compress them down to 2K data points. The data compression can take several forms. You can take an average of every N points. The resulting dataset will be reduced by a factor of N. You can also find the sum for every N points, the minimum value of every N points, the maximum of every N points, or both the minimum and maximum of every 2N points. The last compression method, minimum and maximum, will always capture any minimums and maximum in the data. The result is that a 2000 point compressed dataset, where there are at least two data points per pixel of horizontal resolution, will look just like the 100,000,000 point dataset, only display hundreds of times faster. The **Datset** classes all include compression methods (**SimpleDataset.CompressSimpleDataset**, **GroupDataset.CompressGroupDataset**, **TimeSimpleDataset.CompressTimeSimpleDataset** and **TimeGroupDataset.CompressTimeGroupDataset**, **TimeGroupDataset.CompressTimeFieldSimpleDataset**, **TimeGroupDataset.CompressTimeFieldGroupDataset**) that operate on the

existing dataset and return a new, compressed dataset. The **CompressTimeFieldSimpleData** and **CompressTimeFieldGroupDataset** are particular useful because they do not use a fixed sample size of N, instead they compress data so that adjacent time values are an increment of a specific time field (ChartObj.DAY_OF_YEAR, ChartObj.WEEK_OF_YEAR, ChartObj.MONTH, ChartObj.Year). Compressing data by month and year obviously requires a varying sample size.

Once created, connect the compressed dataset to the **ChartPlot** object used to display the dataset.

[C#]

```
nNumPnts = 1000000;
TimeSimpleDataset RawDataset = new
      TimeSimpleDataset("Raw", xtimedata,  ydata,nNumPnts);
int compressXmode = ChartObj.DATACOMRESS_AVERAGE;
int compressYmode = ChartObj.DATACOMRESS_MINMAX;
int compressTimeField = Calendar.MONTH;
TimeSimpleDataset CompressedDataset =
      RawDataset.CompressTimeFileSimpleData( compressXmode,
                                          compressYmode,
                                          compressTimeField,
                                          0, nNumPnts,"Compressed");
```

[Visual Basic]

```
nNumPnts = 1000000
Dim RawDataset As TimeSimpleDataset = new _
      TimeSimpleDataset("Raw", xtimedata,  ydata,nNumPnts)
Dim compressXmode As Integer = ChartObj.DATACOMRESS_AVERAGE
Dim compressYmode As As Integer = ChartObj.DATACOMRESS_MINMAX
Dim compressTimeField As Integer = Calendar.MONTH
Dim CompressedDataset As TimeSimpleDataset = _
      RawDataset.CompressTimeFileSimpleData( compressXmode,
                                          compressYmode,
                                          compressTimeField,
                                          0, nNumPnts,"Compressed")
```

**20. How do I get data from my database into a chart?**

The real question is: How do you get data from your database into a simple .Net program, storing sequential data values in data array variables. This is up to you and is independent of the charting software. We recommend that you use the SQL database classes that are part of .Net and study the documentation provide by Microsoft and other sources, such as the O'Reilly programming books. Once you can read individual data elements of your data base it is a trivial matter to place the numeric and calendar data into simple .Net array variables and from there plot the data.

21. How do I use this charting software to generate chart images "on-the-fly" from a server?

The **BufferedImage** class creates chart images independent of any physical display context. The BufferedImage class uses a **System.Drawing.Imaging.ImageFormat** object to control the format of the resulting image bitmap. You can use this image as an image object in an HTML page.

22. **Can QCChart2D for *.Net* be used to create programs and controls that run like Java applets in web browsers?**

We recommend that you use the JavaScript/TypeScript version of this software which will do client-side rendering of charts.

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