

# Re: best design for parse

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Stephany,

You would have seen (you are not a newbie) how much time it took especially for me, before I got it accepted that the used VB.net language in ASPNET was also a part of the language and not of the framework and therefore suspect of this newsgroup. Maybe you even saw that last week I wrote that again in the C# newsgroup.

I only ask to the OP to tell that if it is specialized on a webpage (what seems to be not the case) to tell that. Most of the persons answering here are taking windowsforms as default, and in the case of date times I seldom ask that, because there is "leiter" no DateTime Value equivalent in HTML.

Cor

"Stephany Young" <[noone@localhost](mailto:noone@localhost)> schreef in bericht  
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It is?

Newsgroup microsoft.public.dotnet.languages.vb provides a forum for questions and general discussion of Visual Basic .NET.

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GS,

I was thinking about writing that this was not in the case with webpages. However windowforms is the default in this newsgroup, therefore please tell this next time.

Cor

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thank you, Cor.

However, I must be thick. I don't quite get the drift as with regard to 2007. are we talking about a new release of studio, .net framework or just the release or patch to come out in 2007.

how would that handle string date mixed with other data?

Actually the original source of the data is displayed html table placed in clipboard. the objective to standardize the date string to yyyy-mm-dd and then pass on to other components for processing and storage

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GS,

Maybe can you avoid this in 2007 and all things like that as DateTime.ParseExact, but have a look to the nicely by Microsoft inbuilt globalization and then the ToString option.

Cor

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let say I have to deal with various date format and I am give format string from one of the following  
dd/mm/yyyy  
mm/dd/yyyy  
dd/mmm/yyyy  
mmm/dd/yyyy

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dd/mm/yy

mm/dd/yy

dd/mmm/yy

mmm/dd/yy

dd/mm

what is the best way to  
come up a relevant regex for  
the incoming

format

string

a) use two array and  
statically match

b) use regex to find the  
order