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Try it in VB5/6. There is **no** noticeable time delays between keystrokes.

It sucked in VB5/6 as well. It was feature that encouraged crappy coding, IMHO. Didn't use it then, don;t use it now. By the way, the

hmmm... should I bow/salute if I see you walking near by?

couple of times I ahve tried it in .NET, I have never noticed any keystroke lag?

Well, you're not going to "Paul" up on me and ask for proof, right? If so, keep in mind that A) I don't make this up out of thin-air and B) Google has plenty of proof, as do the dotNet groups. All it takes is a visit from a true evangelist. geez... just look at the groups! gimme a freaking break here.

If you insist, I suppose I can dig up 1 or 1,000 posts on the subject.

Of course, you think of this as a language feature – since VB.CLASSIC was so tied to the dev environment. This isn't true with VB.NET you can code in notepad and use bat files to do your builds if you want.

No... I don't think of it as a language feature. I think of it as an extremely useful IDE feature. **FAR FAR** more useful than forcing people to deal with "collapsing code"... I don't edit code in a treeview atmosphere, sorry... I actually like using my editing keys (Ctrl-Home, etc)

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VB for net has direct from version 2002 background compiling, a feature that has never been in C# and therefore C# needs endless builds to correct typing errors.

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And? It's not a "bolt on" – the VB.NET IDE has always had it.

Boy... starting to look like yet another "VB.Net is great, but I don't use it" band leader.

VB for net has direct from version 2002 a kind of auto editing, something that has never been in C# (which is much improved in version 2008 by the way)

Which must be another "bolt on – after the fact" because VB Classic's had that for years.

LOL... Believe me the VB.NET version is MUCH better. All you get from VB.CLASSIC is the annoying modal message box... In VB.NET it tells you what's wrong, gives you a list of suggested fixes – and then let you select one, which it will automatically implement for you.

Modal message box? WTF ya' talkin' about there, Tom?.... Oh, you mean that option that's supposed to be turned off as soon as you've mastered Hello World? Ok... I see now. I assumed Cor was talking about Intellisense... that's the only "auto editing" feature I've seen...

So, what you're saying is... this super–superior IDE that absolutely refuses to allow me to work the way I like to work (single procedure view, for starters), will actually tell you select from a list of "suggested fixes".... this is a list that Microsoft put together, right? Just trying to be clear on this....

"which it will automatically implement for you".... hmmm... and it's Ok

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not to be snobby about that, but perfectly acceptable to say people that use E&C are basically "less worthy" coders? Ok... Whatever. Kool-Aid, Kool-Aid.... tastes great Kool-Aid, Kool-Aid... Can't WAIT!

VB has in version 2008 direct XML creation something that is not in C#.

Now there's one VB Classic doesn't have.... XML. The "kitchen sink" file spec that was originally designed to be nothing more than a "treeview" version of CSV files. If you check the contents of an XML file in notepad, you'll see the same "bloatware" authors were involved in its creation.

I sense you really don't like XML... Which is fine, but for a lot of us, XML is a reality we have to deal with – and so, I don't see the harm in MS adding a feature that makes our lives easier. That rant really sounds more like sour grapes than anything rational. Really, if you don't need the feature how is it hurting you if it's there?

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Tom Shelton

Boy.... you really can spin things, eh? I couldn't care less if the IDE recognizes XML... what I'd like to see is one that recognizes VB!... and, fwiw, it's that "how is it hurting you if it's there" attitude that *is* hurting people. The MS dev team has flatly ignored our requests and, instead, implemented features that clearly add bloat to an already bloated environment... I assume, because "it won't hurt anyone that doesn't use it"

Take a look at Vista. How long does it take to boot on your PC? How about the dotNet IDE... how long does it take to open a project? Want to challenge me to a "Hello World" race? You can have twice the ram and double the CPU clock speed on your PC, kay?

And... finally (already far too much time has been wasted on this thread)... pick 3 lines of code... any 3 lines... now, paste those lines into your immediate window. Do they run? Maybe you say? Now, here's the kicker.... better step back, because I'm going to mention something here that snobs may not like.... go to the immediate window, select those 3 lines of code and paste them back where you got them.... Can't do it? You'd rather say "it sucks and only crappy coders do it"? Ok... go ahead and say what you will... still... you'll find this ****extremely simple, straight forward operation**** to be impossible, no matter what version of dotNext you're using. (can't speak for 2008, haven't tried... maybe it's mature enough to warrant a

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usable immediate window... we'll see, I guess)

By the way... I can use Notepad to write code and use batch files to do builds too. Who the he!! cares about that, anyway. I've been doing that since 1981, when I got my first Motorola 6809 Editor/Assembler package....

Ken Halter – MS–MVP–VB – Please keep all discussions in the groups..
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