
Subject: Re: Before I dive in. Anyone have a yaml parser?
Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Tue, 03 May 2011 17:23:15 GMT
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On 5/3/11 11:06 AM, David Fanning wrote:

> Matt writes:

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>> So anyone out there have a yaml parser for IDL? Just curious as we're
>> starting to use those for our configurations and I thought if someone
>> had it built, I wouldn't have to do it myself.

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>> If you don't know yaml: <http://www.yaml.org/>

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> OK, I read that page and I still don't get it.

> What is the world is "data serialization"? My

> problem, I guess, is that English doesn't appear

> to be my native language. :-(

Data serialization for IDL is just being able to store IDL variables so
that they can be restored later in exactly the same state, like IDL .sav
files.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Data_serialization

YAML is a human-readable, cross-language specification for the files,
i.e., store scalars this way, structures this way, etc. YAML is
implemented in many languages.

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yaml>

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Modern IDL, A Guide to Learning IDL: <http://modernidl.idldev.com>

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