



Angular interoperability features heavily in Wijmo update

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GrapeCity wants developers to work in the framework or library of their choice. The company recently released version 2 of its HTML5 and JavaScript solution, Wijmo, with new support for JavaScript frameworks such as Angular 2 and Knockout.

“It has been a pace-setting year for Wijmo,” said Chris Bannon, product manager of Wijmo. “With our v1 release, full Angular 2 support, the availability of a Knockout module, our collaboration with Microsoft, and the incorporation of Wijmo’s line of HTML5 and JavaScript products into the 2016 update of Microsoft Dynamics CRM Online, we’ve been able to provide our cus-

ID	Date	Time	Country	Country ID	Downloads
0				US	13,912
1			any	Germany	5,991
2				Japan	1,592
3			n	Italy	16,260
4				Greece	1,994
5	Jul/08/2015		ce	Spain	19,926
6				US	15,068
7			any	Germany	5,339
8				Japan	8,355
9				Italy	19,874

Wijmo's FlexGrid features TypeScript for use with Angular 2.

tomers the tools they need to keep up with the ever-changing landscape.”

Wijmo 2016 v2 also supports Facebook’s JavaScript library React, allowing developers to use Wijmo controls in ReactJS apps. According to GrapeCity, React differs from Angular and typical JavaScript in that it is not a full framework but rather a library for building user interfaces.

In addition, support for Vue.js, a lighter JavaScript framework, has been added to Wijmo. According to the company, Vue.js and Wijmo complement each other by offering power, flexibility, reactive data binding and composable view components to developers.

The company also recently announced version 2 of Ultimate 2016, its bundle of data and UI controls. The

latest release introduces Flex-Chart for UWP, WinForms and WPF; ASP.NET Core support; and Input controls in Xuni.

“Our dedication to focusing on performance has been the key differentiator for GrapeCity within the developer tool market this year,” said Jody Handley, product marketing manager at GrapeCity. “Recent benchmarks have shown our grids and charts outperform similar tools on the

market, and are as much as 7x faster in certain cases. The developer landscape is rapidly changing, and our v2 release is aligned to help developers migrate to new platforms and devices while continuing to improve their current business apps.”

Other features include an improved CIWord Library for UWP, WinForms and WPF; a new FlexReport Report-Viewer sample; a new InputDateTime control for MVC; and new features in FlexChart such as animation, zooming and panning.

“Ranging from responsive to mobile-first, along with fast and flexible, Ultimate offers developers a complete set of controls for increasing productivity when building enterprise applications,” said Handley. ■

