Visual Developer Creating ActiveX Controls With Visual Basic 5: The Comprehensive Guide For Creating Powerful Web Controls
Synopsis
Gives you step-by-step instructions for creating great Active X controls, from simple COM objects to complex ActiveX servers, with Visual Basic. Features techniques for delivering the ActiveX control to the client, storing large data streams outside the control’s normal storage, and loading large data streams “in the background,” while the user performs other tasks. Shows you all the tricks you need to jump in and get results right away with the ActiveX registry. Gives Visual Basic programmers a fast and easy way to jump into ActiveX and Web development.

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I found this book to be an excellent introduction to how to make VB ActiveX controls. Unlike a lot of books, it covers special Internet topics and doesn’t get bogged down in a lot of details that aren’t important. However, the details that are important (like what really happens in the registry, for example) are well explained. I’ve used many of the substantial examples as a basis for my own controls with great success.

I found the book to be written more for someone with little or no VB experience, coming from a C++ enviroment. I got no more from the book than from the VB online help and a little web searching turned up. A “use the wizards and learn C++ if you want to be a professional programmer” attitude prevails. Check out Dan Appleman’s ActiveX with VB5 book for a more robust tome.

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