Subject: Re: Validation plug-ins
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Just been thinking it over.

If you call a method in a custom validator class by the name defined in the data dictonary, it will be hard to exchange the validator-methods with others, or to put it in other projects without altering working code.

Wouldn't it be a better idea to load a class with a standard interface from a directory with validators.

For example
=== Valdidator class ====

```
class dutch_postcode  {
      var $errors=Array();

      function validate($fieldname) {
           //.. put custom validation code here
    }

    function getErrors() {
         return $errors
   }
}
```

==== validator call code ====

```
if (isset($fieldspec[$fieldname]['custom_validator'])) {



    require_once($path_to_validators .  $fieldspec[$fieldname]['custom_validator']) . ".class.inc");

    $validator =&  singleton::getInstance($fieldspec[$fieldname]['custom_valida tor']);

     $validator->validate();

     $this->errors=array_merge($this->errors,$validator->getErrors())

} // end if
```