
Subject: GROUP_LEADER (before I start my holidays ...)
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Dear all,

first of all, I want to thank all of you who helped me out several times during the last 1/2 year since I joined this newsgroup. I guess, a special thanks must go to David F. (unfortunately I never succeeded to reach you via e-mail, David: there is still a 2% issue to be solved ?).

This time, I am back to widgeting a little, trying to improve my EXPLORE data analysis tool. In the online help, the WIDGET_BASE function allows a parameter named GROUP_LEADER which will destroy the new widget whenever the GROUP_LEADER widget is destroyed. Sounds good, I thought, and tried it. However, when I kill my GROUP_LEADER widget, only the contents of that new child is destroyed, and an empty window remains on the screen. I checked the widget ID of my GROUP_LEADER to make sure it is the correct one.

Below is an example, simply call w_test and close the MAIN WINDOW with either button ... BTW: I am using IDL 5.02, Unix version on AIX 4

Happy holidays to all of you,
Martin.

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pro w_test

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dlg = w_edit(title='MAIN WIDGET',text=['Line 1','Line 2'])
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widget_control,dlg,/realize  
print,'widget_ID(DLG) = ',dlg
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dlg2 = w_edit(title='DEPENDENT WIDGET', $  

    group_leader=dlg, $  

    text=['2nd window:','Line 1','Line 2'])

widget_control,dlg2,/realize  

print,'widget_ID(DLG2) = ',dlg2

event = widget_event(dlg)

widget_control,event.top,/destroy

end

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; NAME:  

;   W_EDIT  

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; PURPOSE:  

;   creates a simple text editor with an OK and Cancel button  

;   and handles the events of this widget.  

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; CATEGORY:  

;   general purpose widgets - modal widgets  

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; CALLING SEQUENCE:  

;   dlg = W_EDIT(parent, [keywords])  

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; INPUTS:  

;   PARENT --> widget ID of the parent widget  

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; KEYWORD PARAMETERS:  

;   TITLE --> window title for the editor window (default blank)  

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;   TEXT --> initial text in the editor window (string array)  

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;   GROUP LEADER --> if this widget shall be used as a simple display  

;   window, you can specify a GROUP LEADER (= widget-ID of a  

;   dialog box). The window will then disappear as soon as the  

;   dialog box is closed. NOTE: the OK and Cancel buttons will  

;   not be shown in this case.  

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; OUTPUTS:  

;   w_edit returns a widget ID of the editor. For implementation  

;   see example below.

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; SUBROUTINES:  
;   EDIT_EVENT --> handles editor events. Reacts only to OK or Cancel.  
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FUNCTION edit_event, event
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parent=event.handler
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; Retrieve the structure from the child that contains the sub ids.  
stash = WIDGET_INFO(parent, /CHILD)  
WIDGET_CONTROL, stash, GET_UVALUE=state, /NO_COPY
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passevent = 0
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; -----  
; button pressed ("OK" or "Cancel")  
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if(event.id eq state.bID) then begin  
    widget_control,state.textID,get_value=text  
  
    info = text  
    value = 1-event.value ; OK=1, Cancel=0  
    passevent = 1 ; this terminates the dialog  
endif
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; Restore the state structure  
WIDGET_CONTROL, stash, SET_UVALUE=state, /NO_COPY
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if (passevent) then $  
    return, { ID:parent, TOP:event.top, HANDLER:0L, VALUE:value , $  
            INFO:info } $  
else $  
    return,0  
END
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FUNCTION w_edit, TITLE=title, TEXT=text, UVALUE=uval, $  
      GROUP_LEADER=group_leader
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ON_ERROR,2 ; return to caller
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; Defaults for keywords
IF NOT (KEYWORD_SET(uval)) THEN uval = 0
if (not keyword_set(title)) then title = ''
if (not keyword_set(text)) then text = ""
if (not keyword_set(group_leader)) then group_leader = 0

print,'GROUP_LEADER=',group_leader

base = WIDGET_BASE(TITLE=title, UVALUE = uval, $
    frame = 3, /column, $
EVENT_FUNC = "edit_event" )

ysize = 8 > n_elements(text) < 40

textf = widget_text(base,/editable,xsize=80,ysize=ysize,frame=3, $
    /scroll,value=text,group_leader=group_leader)

if (group_leader eq 0) then $
    buttons = cw_bgroup(base,/row,['OK','Cancel']) $
else $
    buttons = -1

state = { bID:buttons, textID:textf }
; Save out the initial state structure into the first child's UVALUE.
WIDGET_CONTROL, WIDGET_INFO(base, /CHILD), SET_UVALUE=state, /NO_COPY

RETURN, base

END

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File Attachments

- 1) [w_test.pro](#), downloaded 67 times
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