
Subject: Re: Button_events and data
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Bernard Puc (puc@gsfc.nasa.gov) writes:

- > I'm looking for pointers on how to do the following: I have a line
- > plot in a draw widget. I want to click the pointer on the plot and have
- > a vertical line drawn at the nearest datapoint to the mouseclick.
- > widget_draw returns the cursor location in device coordinates and I
- > need to translate that into dataspace coordinates.
- > Going one step further, ideally, I'd like to have a vertical line
- > follow the cursor around the draw widget at all times, jumping from
- > datapoint to datapoint. I suspect someone has already written such a
- > thing...

Well, you hit me in a moment of weakness. :-)

I've been writing a program today that is out there on the edge of my knowledge and experience. Writing something I *know* how to write seemed kind of relaxing. I did this over a couple of beers, so it may not be my *best* work. ;-)

The way I chose to implement your requirements is to draw the vertical line as long as you hold the cursor down in the draw widget. The program assumes regular "steps" in the X direction, but the algorithm could easily be changed to accommodate irregular steps.

Here you go. Save the code below as "example.pro". Type "example" to see it work.

Cheers,

David

```
PRO Example_Cleanup, id
Widget_Control, id, Get_UValue=info, /No_Copy
IF N_Elements(info) NE 0 THEN WDelete, info.pixID
END
```

```
PRO Draw_Widget_Events, event
```

```
    ; Deal only with button up, button down, and motion events.
```

```
IF event.type GT 2 THEN RETURN
```

; What kind of event is this?

```
Widget_Control, event.top, Get_UValue=info, /No_Copy  
eventType = ['Button Down', 'Button Up', 'Motion Events']  
thisEvent = eventType(event.type)
```

CASE thisEvent OF

'Button Down': BEGIN

; Turn motion events on.

```
Widget_Control, event.id, Draw_Motion_Events=1  
ENDCASE
```

'Button Up': BEGIN

; Turn motion events off.

```
Widget_Control, event.id, Draw_Motion_Events=0
```

; Erase the last line.

```
WSet, info.wid  
Device, Copy=[0,0,400,400,0,0,info.pixID]
```

ENDCASE

'Motion Events': BEGIN

; Erase the previous line.

```
WSet, info.wid  
Device, Copy=[0,0,500,500,0,0,info.pixID]
```

; Set up plot and axes scaling.

```
!P = info.p  
!X = info.x  
!Y = info.y
```

; Convert cursor location to data coordinates.

```
coords = Convert_Coord(event.x, event.y, /Device, /To_Data)  
x = coords[0]  
y = coords[1]
```

; Make sure X value is within plot limits.

```
x = !X.crange[0] > x
x = !X.crange[1] < x
```

```
; Find the nearest data point.
```

```
nearest = WHERE(info.indep GE (x - (info.step/2.0)), count)
IF count EQ 0 THEN datapt = info.indep[info.last] ELSE BEGIN
  nearest = nearest[0]
  IF nearest EQ 0 THEN datapt = info.indep[0] ELSE $
    datapt = info.indep[nearest]
ENDELSE
```

```
; Draw a vertical line through the nearest datapoint.
```

```
PlotS, [datapt, datapt], !Y.CRange, Color=info.color
format = '(F4.1)'
XYOutS, datapt, 0.85, '(' + $
  String(info.indep[datapt],Format=format) + $
  ',' + String(info.data[datapt],Format=format) + ')', $
  Color=info.color
ENDCASE
```

```
ENDCASE
```

```
Widget_Control, event.top, Set_UValue=info, /No_Copy
END
```

PRO Example

```
; Fake data.
```

```
data = Findgen(11)
data = Sin(data*360*!RaDeg)
indep = Findgen(11)
```

```
; Create the widgets.
```

```
tlb = Widget_Base(Title='Example Program', Column=1)
drawID = Widget_Draw(tlb, XSize=500, YSize=500, $
  Event_Pro='Draw_Widget_Events', Button_Events=1)
```

```
; Get the window index number.
```

```
Widget_Control, tlb, /Realize
Widget_Control, drawID, Get_Value=wid
WSet, wid
```

```
; Plot the data.
```

```
Plot, indep, data, PSym=-4, Position=[0.2, 0.2, 0.8, 0.8]
```

```
; Create a pixmap.
```

```
Window, /Free, /Pixmap, XSize=500, YSize=500
```

```
pixID = !D.Window
```

```
Plot, indep, data, PSym=-4, Position=[0.2, 0.2, 0.8, 0.8]
```

```
; The data step in the X direction. Assume regular steps.
```

```
step = indep[1] - indep[0]
```

```
TVLCT, 255, 255, 0, 1
```

```
color = 1
```

```
; Save information to run the program.
```

```
info = { indep:indep, $ ; Independent data.  
        data:data, $ ; Dependent data.  
        p:!P, $ ; Plotting system variable.  
        x:!X, $ ; X Axis system variable.  
        y:!Y, $ ; Y Axis system variable  
        wid:wid, $ ; Window index number.  
        pixID:pixID, $ ; The pixmap index number.  
        step:step, $ ; The step in independent data.  
        color:color, $ ; The line color.  
        last:N_Elements(indep)-1 $ ; Last element in array.  
    }
```

```
Widget_Control, tlb, Set_UValue=info, /No_Copy  
XManager, 'example', tlb, /No_Block, Cleanup='Example_Cleanup'  
END
```

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