
Subject: Re: Conundrum

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In article <mgs-1905982035520001@sc3-12-138.thegrid.net>,
mgs@sd.cybernex.net (Mike Schienle) wrote:

> And if your requirements don't allow leaving it up to the user you can set
> up a list of fonts that you can use throughout your applications. I have a
> couple functions that manage fonts for me. I will add them to my web site
> tonight (5/19/98) since they're a little too long to post here.

I have a question as well as a comment on fonts.

I've tried Mike's FontGen program which I found on his Web page. Since I am learning widgets, I tried to use it to provide a widget list of fonts (SGI Unix). When one font is chosen from this list, a second widget appears which has a label with the specified font. This actually worked quite well except that some fonts are not found by my SGI. Specifically, the bold Greek. I get an error message (at the command line) when I choose this font from my widget list. The widget label has the IDL default with no mention of any error.

My question is: How can I intercept this message from the Widget_Label error handling so that it can print out that I have an error (by printing the error message inside the widget label) rather than just giving me a value which I do not want?

The IDL manual says that using DEVICE obtains only hardware Font definitions. I can only think of using a plot routine, check if an error occurs, and then proceed accordingly with a DIALOG_MESSAGE. But can I bypass this plot part? (Maybe this is related to the window popping up which was mentioned earlier in this thread.)

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