
Subject: Re: Real Number on PVWAVE
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Andrew J Leaper (andrew@leaper44.freemove.co.uk) wrote:
: Adrian Clark wrote:

: > Hey, we're out here!
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: > We just don't get to subscribe to newsgroups that much. It's must be the
: > result of one of the following:
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: > a) We're all so clever and PV-Wave is so straight forward, that we never
: > need to ask questions on newsgroups
: > b) We're all so dumb and PV-Wave is so obscure and buggy that we're so
: > busy trying to get things to work that we never get round to asking
: > questions on the NGs.
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: > Which do you reckon it is? ;-))
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: I think that I would prefer to believe (a)...

Then you must not be developing "elegant" user-interfaces through direct calls to the Motif toolkit via the Wt functions. This is the epitome of "obscure." The only semi-redeeming aspect of this is that you feel like a "real programmer" because you regularly consult the O'Reilly Motif Manuals (aka the Sacred Tomes).

But even when you have found the little-known resource that does just what you want, there is only a 50/50 chance that setting it will have any effect. So after pulling your hair out for hours, you decide to "settle" for a "just ok" interface using the Ww layer. It's too bad IDL users don't have the "joy" of going through this process since they don't have the illusion of so many interface design choices :-)

Kyle

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