
Subject: Re: Text Widget Confession

Posted by [Don J Lindler](#) on Fri, 21 Sep 2001 17:43:45 GMT

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"David Fanning" <david@dfanning.com> wrote in message
news:MPG.161513d4da1fb1889896b9@news.frii.com...

> Folks,

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> Alright, I confess. Text widgets have always confused
> the hell out of me. And for years I have avoided using
> them, except in the very simplest way, and then only
> when I could find no alternative. (I've found mind-
> reading only partially successful.)

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David,

I think you are confused because you chose an unfortunate example.
['Dog','Cow','Coyote']

The length of the lines are 5, 5, and 8 which add to 18. I assume it is the
characters in the line plus a line feed and <cr>. So that Line 0 starts at
offset 0, line 1 starts at offset 5 and line 3 starts at offset 10.

Since the Text_Offset_to_XY keyword in Widget_Info does not seem to work
right, you will have to compute the offsets to each line manually by
accumulating the string lengths plus 2 for all previous lines.

Wouldn't a list widget work better for what you are doing?

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