
Subject: Re: Color text within WIDGET_TEXT?
Posted by [Andrew Cool](#) on Sun, 03 Feb 2002 22:29:57 GMT
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Chia Chang wrote:

>
> I am looking to spice up my text widget.
> Is there a way to make it display color text.
>
> Regards,
> Chia Chang

Hi,

The answer here is probably platform dependent.

Under VMS, it's all too easy by defining X Resources in your
.IDLDE file.

It's taken a coupla minutes to knock up a little text widget
that had a green background in the text entry field, and the colour of
the text that I typed in was red. Gross combination!

I guess the same should work on *NIXy things running X.

Example :

```
PRO text_widget
  base = widget_base(Resource_name='widgettext')
  Text_id = widget_text(base,Value=' ',/Edit,$
    Resource_name = 'frequency')
```

```
Widget_control,base,/real
END
```

Entries in .IDLDE file:

```
Idl*widgettext*frequency*Background:green
Idl*widgettext*frequency*Foreground:red
```

HTH,

Andrew

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