Subject: Re: Widget Columns (RE: X-windows fonts)
Posted by thompson on Thu, 20 Feb 1992 14:31:00 GMT

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In article <1992Feb20.012538.1@rcb.stsci.edu>, deutsch@rcb.stsci.edu writes...

- > ...I found that on the VAXstations the font is not proportionally spaced,
- > but rather all spaces are actually half-spaces (i.e. all characters have the
- > same width except spaces, which are half width.) I fixed this by having the
- > display software (tediously) search though each line and replace all spaces
- > with two spaces. This made the table columns line up properly. I think....

Unfortunately, that doesn't seem to be the case on the Sun workstation.

One person suggested setting up font aliases, which is a good idea, but only practicle on a small number of machines. I'm more interested in coming up with a solution that doesn't require special intersession by the system manager. That's my idea of an "open" system.

I can't imagine why Sun and DEC would use font names that are so close, but still different from each other. Is there really a standard set of fonts? And, if so, which system is the one that's not going by the standard?

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