
Subject: Re: Widget

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 18 May 2004 23:36:29 GMT

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Anand writes:

> Can anyone help me out with IDL widgets. I created a widget to
> display the image and from there I opened one more image to show a
> region in that image in a different widget. After I close the new
> widget my old widget does not seem to be my current graphic window.
> So when I try to perform some mouse commands it by default open a new
> IDL window. Can some one tell me how do I make my old widget the
> current graphic window after I close the current widget. I used
> widget_control, ev.top,/destroy, to destroy the top widget.

Oh, dear. :-(

You might have a look at ZIMAGE. It might even do exactly what you are trying to do. You **definitely** need to know what window is the current graphics window (the one you will be drawing into) in a widget program. You do it by doing a WSET to the window index number. This number is the **value** of the draw widget:

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Widget_Control, drawWidgetID, Get_Value=wid  
WSet, wid
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Cheers,

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