
Subject: Re: file selection widget and returning filters
Posted by [Paul Van Delst\[1\]](#) on Tue, 15 Feb 2005 15:18:03 GMT
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Rob Dimeo wrote:

> Dear Paul and Craig,
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> Actually that *is* the behavior that I intended even though it may not
> be obvious why. Each time I launched the dialog I did not want to load
> in the contents of the entire directory hierarchy (in the interest of
> speed). I only wanted to display the contents of the current directory
> (subdirectories + files).

Oh, fair enough. But, then, how is the functionality of this pickfile different from `DIALOG_PICKFILE()` ? In the latter, the same info is displayed -- subdirectories + files -- albeit in different "windows" of the widget. (The question is really just for argument's sake since I much prefer the look of yours even if the functionality is similar).

> Each time you double click on a subdirectory
> then you go into it and the tree widget contents are updated to show
> that directory's files and subdirectories. The "root" folder behaves
> slightly differently in that if you double-click on it, you go up one
> directory. Note that the +/- only expands or compresses the view of
> the contents of the current directory. I probably could have done this
> so that it was more intuitive (I'm certainly open to ideas :))

If only the +/- of the current directory is "active", then is it possible to make the subdirectory +/-'s not show up? By having those little icons there, one expects them to do something.

But, regardless, I'm going to create a RMD subdirectory in my `user_contrib` for your pickfile. Like I said above, I like the look of it much more than the regular `pickfile()`. Your `RMD_PICKFILE` is more user friendly (IMO) by having all the clickable info in one widget window.

Good one.

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