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Subject: Re: any replacement for wait function

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biophys writes:

> I'm trying to write a widget program doing some continuous calculation  
> while display several pieces of small movie(image/plot sequences) at  
> certain speed. I want the speed of movie to be independent of each  
> other and the movie content is updated as background calculation spits  
> out new data. However, the only way that I know to display a movie is  
> to TV to a draw widget and use widget\_timer and wait function to control  
> speed. And the problem is that the wait function suspends the whole idl  
> session, thus suspending the the other draw widget update as well as  
> the background calculation. So it seems impossible to implement this in  
> IDL? Or I am not aware of some other technique? Any comments?

A timer widget AND a WAIT function!? Sounds like overkill to me. I'd get rid of the WAIT function and let the timer do the waiting.

Cheers,

David

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