
Subject: Re: GUI size on different screens

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Sat, 25 Nov 2006 17:58:28 GMT

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lory writes:

- > How can I find which font and which character size are used by default
- > (before changing it)?

You can't. :-(

(I put this out more as a challenge than as a statement of fact.
But, I have never discovered how to do it reliably.)

- > My code should run under different OS, with
- > different "system" font, and I would change only the size of the
- > characters.

If you want your code to run under different operating systems,
leave fonts ALONE! Don't muck with them. Let the users use the
fonts they want to use. You are going down a path here that leads
to complete ruin and frustration!

- > Another question: I do not fully understand the string you assigned to
- > default_font, could you explain all the modifiers? The description of
- > default_font in the IDL help is very short ...

This explanation will help only for users with a particular operating
system and for users who have this particular font installed. (Some
will and some, for whatever inexplicable reason, will not.) Take
everything you learn with a grain of salt, and IGNORE ALL ADVICE.
Leave fonts ALONE!

Cheers,

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
