Subject: Re: How to keep a widget in front?
Posted by sjt on Thu, 16 Nov 1995 08:00:00 GMT
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Gwyn F. Fireman (fireman@iuegtc.gsfc.nasa.gov) wrote:
: How do I keep an IDL widget in front of all windows? I have a small
: floating widget and don't want to lose sight of it when clicking on the
: larger widget behind it. I'd prefer not to use WIDGET_CONTROL,/SHOW as it
: would mean always passing the ID for the smaller widget to the event
: handler of the larger - and the two may be unrelated.

: Thanks in advance,
:   Gwyn
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: Gwyn Fireman, fireman@gsfc.nasa.gov, speaking only for myself.

Here's one kludge solution which I use:

1) Give a normally non-event generating widget [e.g. a base or a label --
hereafter called the dummy widget] within the floating widget a UVALUE
(assuming you handle your events by UVALUE).

2) After realizing the floating widget, send a timer event to the dummy
widget with a delay of (say) 2 seconds.

3) In the event handler for you floating widget have the event actio
for the dummy consist of:

 widget_control, event.top, /show
 widget_control, event.id, timer=2.0

While this won't make it un-hideable, at least it will pop to the front
every 2 seconds.

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