## Subject: Re: Question about selecting images from Draw Widgets Posted by gearoid.k on Sat, 17 Mar 2007 12:57:17 GMT

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On Mar 17, 12:49 pm, gearoi...@gmail.com wrote:
> On Mar 17, 3:49 am, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:
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>> gearoi...@gmail.com writes:
>>> This program takes in 10 images and displays the first 4 (image0 to
>>> image3) in the GUI. For the final function 'viewNext', I would like
>>> all the images (which are saved in the array 'images_array' which is
>>> defined in the OpenFile function) to shift up by one place, such that
>>> image1 to image4 are displayed.
>>> Could you tell me how to do this?
>> Well, to start with, I wouldn't be using the GUI Builder
>> to build your widget program. The possibility that you might
>> actually understand how the program works is slim, to say
>> the least. :-)
>> Typically, what we do is store ALL the information we
>> need to run our program in an "info" structure. Suppose
>> we need the four drawIDs, the window index numbers that go
>> with the draw widgets, and the 10 images themselves. And
>> suppose we have stored these in the variables drawIDs,
>> wIDs, and thelmages. (The array containing the images
>> is probably a pointer array, because we don't really
>> want to carry around 10 images.) We probably need some
>> kind of counter, so we know which image is first in the
>> image display. Let's call this imgCounter and suppose it
>> starts off at 0, so the first 4 of 10 images are displayed
>> in our windows.
     info = {drawlDs:drawlDs, wlDs:wlDs, thelmages:thelmages, $
>>
            imgCounter:imgCounter, numImages:numImages)
>>
>> Usually, we make info a pointer, then we store it in
>> the user value of the top-level base, so it is accessible
>> to all the even handlers:
     info = Ptr_New(info, /No_Copy)
>>
     Widget_Control, tlb, Set_UValue=info
>>
>> This is typically done just before you call XMANAGER
>> to start your program running in the widget definition
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>> module (or sometimes called the command module).
>
>> Ok, so somewhere you have created a couple of buttons
>> named NEXT and PREVIOUS, and you have assigned an event
>> handler to them. Maybe you did something like this:
     buttonID = Widget_Button(baseID, Value='Next', $
>>
        Event_Pro='MyProgram_ButtonEvents')
>>
     buttonID = Widget Button(baseID, Value='Next', $
>>
        Event Pro='MvProgram ButtonEvents')
>>
>
>> So when the user hits either the NEXT or PREVIOUS
>> button, the event will go to this event handler.
>> Here is how you write it:
>> PRO MyProgram_ButtonEvents, event
>
>>
     Get the information you need to run the program.
     Widget Control, event.top, Get UValue=info
>>
>
     ; Which button is this?
>>
     Widget Control, event.ID, Get Value=buttonValue
>>
>
     ; Set the image counter.
>>
     CASE buttonValue OF
>>
       'Next': (*info).imgCounter = 0 > ((*info).imgCounter) + 1 < $
>>
              ((*info).numlmages-4)
>>
       'Previous': (*info).imgCounter = 0 > ((*info).imgCounter) - 1 < $
              ((*info).numlmages-4)
>>
      ENDCASE
>>
      ; Display the four images in the four draw widget windows.
>>
      cnt = Indgen(4) + (*info).imgCounter
>>
      FOR j=0,3 DO BEGIN
>>
       WSet, (*info).wIDs[j]
>>
       TV, *((*info).thelmages[cnt[i]])
      ENDFOR
>>
>> END
>> That's it. Pretty simple. :-)
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>> Cheers,
>> David
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- >> Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
- > Thanks again David.

- > So do you suggest that I work solely on the .pro file? And to forget
- > about the prc file?

That should read:

So do you suggest that I work solely on the .pro file? And to forget about the .prc file and the eventCallBack file?

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