Subject: Re: Resizable IDL List widget? Posted by JD Smith on Fri, 13 Apr 2007 17:55:53 GMT

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>> I'm not certain, but here's a test of this:
>>
>> b=widget_base(/COLUMN)
>> t=widget_label(b,VALUE='Testing Foolery')
>> d=widget draw(b,XSIZE=100,YSIZE=80)
>>
>> widget_control, b,/realize
>> widget control, d,get value=v
>> wset,v
>> tvscl,dist(100,80)
>>
>> for i=0,10 do begin
     g=widget_info(d,/GEOMETRY)
     print,'X: ',g.SCR_XSIZE,' Y: ',g.SCR_YSIZE
>>
     widget_control, d,SCR_XSIZE=g.SCR_XSIZE,SCR_YSIZE=g.SCR_YSIZE
>> endfor
> No, I think the problem must be something else. This code
> behaves about like I think you must be expecting it to. That
> is, nothing much happens and all sizes are reported as the
> same.
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That's strange. Perhaps the TLB geometry is biased in some way? I simply can't understand where the fudge comes from, in that case.

- >> If IDL were written today, it could leverage a modern cross-platform GUI
- >> toolkit, like QT/GTK/wX/etc., and dispense with all this crap.

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- > After all the rigamarole and complexity of separating widgets
- > from the iTool visualization layer, maybe this is what they
- > intend to do with the big Eclipse update. Ditch widgets and
- > give us iTools with modern cross-platform GUIs. That would
- > certainly get rid of those irritating customers who use direct
- > graphics and complain all the time! :-)

I'd like to believe. Who has the best example of a non-trivial image-based GUI running in the iTools framework to try? Of course, my 5 year old video card fails to impress iTools, which typically crash my X-Windows server after about 2 minutes of noodling. I can't exactly blame that on ITTVIS, but needless to say, it makes me less willing to drink the koolaid.

JD