Subject: controlling widget layout
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Greetings all,

I am trying to clean up the layout of a widget application. It has
a control panel and a draw widget. I'd like to control the grouping
of the control buttons, sliders, and information displayed on the
panel.

The panel is set up as a COLUMN oriented base widget as the parent of
some ROW base widgets. Asorted buttons, sliders, and stuff are on the
various ROW widgets. I've got the basic organization set up ok (and
everything even works! so why am I not happy:-). I'm just wanting to
clean it up a little-- in particular, I'm wanting to put some extra
vertical space between some of the rows to visually group things
better.

I've checked the documentation about the X,Y OFFSET and SIZE keywords.
It looks pretty ugly and high maintanance, not to mention non protable.
Well, at least we don't have to worry about cross platform issues-- we're
mostly linux, a little solaris. But there are issues with monitors of
varying sizes and resolutions to consider.

Does anyone know any tricks or shortcuts that might help? I'm still
fairly new to writing widget applications, have I missed something
that should have been obvious?

Thanks for any pointers or hints.

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