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Subject: Re: slider size

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Mon, 27 Aug 2007 17:30:53 GMT

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Loren Anderson writes:

- > Thanks. Is there any known way of forcing all values to be available
- > in the slider itself? I already have the text box next to it, and can
- > get to any value I want - I just want to be able to use the slider to
- > get to them easily - preferably without typing.

There is no way (that I know) to force the slider values.

One alternative, though, might be a "spinner" widget. This is a compound widget that has a text box, with the value of the spinner, next to a couple of buttons with images of up and down arrows on them. When you click the up arrow the spinner increases by some set increment. (One, in your case.) If you hold the button down, the increment "spins" very quickly. It is nearly as fast as a slider for most applications, and takes up far less space.

This would give you practice building your own compound widgets. Something every widget programmer ought to know how to do anyway! :-)

I have one coded up for my Catalyst Library, so I could help with the "spin it" part of the event handler, if you get stuck with that.

Cheers,

David

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