
Subject: Re: Object Graphics Windows in X Windows
Posted by [KRDean](#) on Fri, 07 Mar 2008 14:52:57 GMT
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On Mar 6, 9:15 pm, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:

> Folks,
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> I presume I'm the last to hear about this, but I learned
> about an X server that runs on Windows the other day,
> named Xming:
>
> <http://sourceforge.net/projects/xming>
>
> It is very nice, and it's free. :-)
>
> After installing it on my Windows machine, I can log
> into my LINUX box at work from home and see my calendar,
> e-mail, EMACS, and even the IDL Workbench! Wow. Who knew!?
>
> It works great, except that the darn thing cannot
> display any kind of object graphics window. This is
> a HUGE disappointment, naturally, as I can't use my
> iTools. ;-)
>
> Is this an IDL problem, do you think, or an X server
> problem? Would I have to do some kind of tweak to get
> this to work? Any info is helpful.
>
> Cheers,
>
> David
> --
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> Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

Yep! Your the last to hear about it.

I have been using Xming on the office Windows XP desktop for years. It works just fine for displaying all my IDL widget applications (IDL 6.3) that run on the UNIX and Lunix boxes we us here. I fined it works much better than Exceed, Exceed onDemand, even Cygwin/X (another free XServer), which are common choices around here.

I'll use PuTTY to login into the desired UNIX or Linux box and send the output to my trusted Windows XP desktop. By the way, PuTTY is design to work with Xming.

However, I use a MSDOS command file to launch Xming from my desktop. I believe the secret to getting a display on your Windows desktop is to have the right settings.

This is what I use in the StartXming.bat that has a shortcut on my desktop display

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C:
cd \Program Files\Xming
SET DISPLAYNO=0
start Xming -ac :%DISPLAYNO% -emulate3buttons -multiwindow -
multimonitors -clipboard -clipupdates 5
```

Happy Friday!

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