
Subject: Re: possible to write screen capture of widget program to tiff?

Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Fri, 13 Mar 2009 16:51:10 GMT

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Kenneth P. Bowman wrote:

> In article
> <b9d61dc3-3644-4663-80ad-15d1ab0257f6@c11g2000yqj.googlegroups.com>,
> Mark <astroboy2k@gmail.com> wrote:
>
>> Hello all.
>>
>> My apologies if this is a dumb question.
>>
>> I've written a rather elaborate widget program, with a display and all
>> the knobs and dials anyone could wish for. What I'd like to do is make
>> an avi or mpeg where one could see the plots in the display change as
>> the sliders etc. move. Going from a tiff or jpeg to a movie is not the
>> problem. Its not clear to me how to write the whole widget image, (if
>> that's the word) to a tiff or jpeg continuously as the sliders etc.
>> are moved...
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>> If anyone has any advice I'd appreciate it greatly. I'm really under
>> the gun on this one.
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>> Thanks,
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>> Mark
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> The simplest approach is probably to use an external program designed
> to record the user's desktop.
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> We made this movie last year
>
> http://start.tamu.edu/section_plotter.html
>
> on a Mac using Snapz Pro.
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> The application was used to help us design flight plans for a research
> aircraft.
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> It's worth spending the money to get software designed for this
> purpose.
>
> Ken Bowman

Yes, I have used Snapz Pro for similar purposes and it has worked well.
I second the motion that some kind of screen recording software is a
very useful tool to have.

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