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Subject: Compound Widgets

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Hi,

I've been creating my own widgets sucessfully for a while but want to leverage existing compound widgets for common tasks (duh). My problem is I do not understand how to incorporate them into my applications -- for example, I would like to use the cw\_light\_editor.

I add it to a base widget (triggered by a menu event):

Pro edit\_lighting, event

```
;Retreive pointer to structure of parameters to be passed between
events
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Widget_Control, event.top, GET_UVALUE=info
```

```
;Create base widget for light editor
lightingBase=Widget_Base(COLUMN=1, TITLE='Lighting', GROUP_LEADER=
(*info).tlb, UNAME='lightingBase')
```

```
;Create compound widget, add my light object
lightEditor = cw_light_editor(lightingBase, light=(*info).oLight0)
```

```
;Realize the base/compound widget
Widget_Control, lightingBase, /REALIZE
```

End

My light object is simply:

```
;Create light object (oLight0 is added to the parameter structure)
oLight0 = Obj_New('IDLgrLight')
```

```
;Set some properties
oLight0->SetProperty, $
  INTENSITY= 0.500000, $
  LOCATION= [10.0000000, 10.0000000, 20.0000000], $
  TYPE= 2 ;Directional
```

```
;Add the light to my model object
oModel->Add, oLight0
```

When I run this, my application freezes and IDL throws a fatal error.

What am I doing wrong? I've looked at the xdice.pro example and David

Fanning's book, but still can't figure out what is going on.

Thanks,  
Bill

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