
Subject: Combobox / Droplist index problem

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I have stumbled across a problem with retrieving the index in a combobox if you have some items with identical text. The "old" droplist returns the correct index, but the combobox widget returns the 1st index that matches the currently selected text (an example is included below). Am I retrieving the index incorrectly? Is there some other way to get the combobox to work (I am only using it instead of the droplist because of RSI's recommendation in the manual)?

Thanks,
Jacques

```
pro test_event, ev
  compile_opt idl2
  widget_control, ev.id, get_uvalue=uval
  case uval of
    'change' : print, ev.index, widget_info(ev.id,
/combobox_gettext)
    'change1' : print, ev.index, widget_info(ev.id,
/droplist_select)
    else :
  end
end

pro test
  compile_opt idl2
  base = widget_base (/column)
  cbox = widget_combobox(base, /dynamic_resize, uvalue='change',
value=['0','1','2','3','2'])
  dlist = widget_droplist(base, /dynamic_resize, uvalue='change1',
value=['0','1','2','3','2'])
  widget_control, base, /realize
  xmanager, 'test', base, /no_block
end
```
