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Posted by David Fanning on Fri, 09 Jun 2006 15:28:00 GMT
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Ben Tupper writes:

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Cheers,

David

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Posted by btt on Fri, 09 Jun 2006 15:35:33 GMT

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Posted by David Fanning on Fri, 09 Jun 2006 15:43:19 GMT

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Thanks, Yo-Ho

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OK, are these KILL_NOTIFY callbacks or CLEANUP callbacks? It *used* to be the case that you couldn't use KILL_NOTIFY with TLBs that were directly managed by XMANAGER. I see RSI code that violates this concept all the time, but I've always stuck to it and never had any problems. The intermittent nature of the problem suggests to me a problem with the various event loops that get set up to manage these autonomous widgets. It has never been clear to me in which order callbacks are executed, but I know it is different on different operating systems. I wonder if switching to CLEANUP callbacks would help.

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Ah! That's the lead I am looking for. I'll switch it all over to CLEANUP specified for XMANAGER rather than the KILL_NOTIFIES.

The documentation is pretty clear that the CLEANUP callback routine supercedes the KILL_NOTIFY routine.

From XMANAGER online help...

CLEANUP

Set this keyword to a string that contains the name of the routine to be called when the widget program dies. If this keyword is not specified, the routine (if any) specified for the program's top-level base by the KILL_NOTIFY keyword to WIDGET_BASE or WIDGET_CONTROL is used. The routine specified by CLEANUP becomes the KILL_NOTIFY routine for the widget application, overriding any cleanup routines that have been set previously via the KILL_NOTIFY keyword to WIDGET_BASE or WIDGET_CONTROL.

Thanks for the help. I post something if that works.

Cheers,

Ben