
Subject: widget_text, CW_FIELD

Posted by [Rajiv.Paneerselvam](#) on Mon, 17 Mar 2008 14:26:14 GMT

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Hi all,

I am developing a macro language text editor using IDL.

I have the following questions:

- 1)Is there any way to add colors to the texts displayed using 'widget_text' or 'CW_field' .? (using direct graphics)
- 2)Can I use IDL Object Graphics (eg,'IDLgrText') to change text color and display the colored text in the text space created by 'widget_text'.

Any help will be appreciated.

regards,

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Subject: Re: widget_text, CW_FIELD

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 18 Mar 2008 15:10:33 GMT

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Michael Galloy writes:

- > 1. Use xyouts or IDLgrText. Sure it can be editable. For an example of
- > this, add text to any iTools display. I'm not sure that that example
- > will teach you anything about doing it, but it does prove it is possible.

You can type colored text into a draw widget in AnnotateWindow:

<http://www.dfanning.com/documents/programs.html#ANNOTATEWIND> OW

- > Again, these solutions are not easy at all, especially if you are
- > talking about multi-line wrapping text like an editor window. A single
- > line might not be too bad, but making it editable will be a major pain.

I would say, in my experience, these solutions are not worth pursuing unless your spiritual practice is to continually overcome disappointment.

Cheers,

David

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Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.dfanning.com/>

Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

Subject: Re: widget_text, CW_FIELD

Posted by [Rajiv.Paneerselvam](#) on Wed, 19 Mar 2008 10:13:09 GMT

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Thanks a lot
