
Subject: Why the font is smaller in the IDLgrBuffer ?

Posted by [natha](#) on Fri, 27 Feb 2009 15:50:53 GMT

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I've a simple question...

I've an IDLgrView with some IDLgrTexts using a certain IDLgrFont and I convert all of that to an IDLgrImage using an IDLgrBuffer.

The Buffer has the same dimensions of the View and I use the Draw and Read methods.

On the result, the font of all texts is modified and smaller than the original.

Why ?

How can I do to preserve the same font size ?

Thanks,
Bernat

Subject: Re: Why the font is smaller in the IDLgrBuffer ?

Posted by [natha](#) on Fri, 27 Feb 2009 20:41:11 GMT

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Hi Rick,

I wrote a small routine to aproximate the font size in the buffer to the original font size.

It's a crazy solution. See below...

With your idea all results more easy.

The only thing to do is set the RESOLUTION property on the IDLgrBuffer. Like that:

```
resolution=[1d/!D.X_PX_CM,1d/!D.Y_PX_CM]  
oBuffer->SetProperty, RESOLUTION=resolution)
```

The problem is that !D.XY_PX_CM only returns the approximate number of pixels per centimeter in the X and Y directions so the font size changes a little bit beacause the resolution is not exact.

There is another way to get the DPI ?

Thanks,

Bernat

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```
PRO TEST_BUFFER_FONT, font_size, dimensions, $      ;;input
      final_font_size      ;;output
```

```
tt=SYSTIME(/SEC)
```

```
oView=OBJ_NEW('IDLgrView', VIEWPLANE_RECT=[0,0,dimensions
[0],dimensions[1]])
oModel=OBJ_NEW('IDLgrModel')
oModel->SetProperty, /DEPTH_WRITE_DISABLE
oView->Add, oModel
```

```
buff_font=OBJ_NEW('IDLgrFont', 'Helvetica', SIZE=font_size, THICK=2)
buff_text=OBJ_NEW('IDLgrText', STRING='null text', FONT=buff_font,
RECOMPUTE_DIMENSIONS=2)
oModel->Add, buff_text
```

```
oBuffer=OBJ_NEW('IDLgrBuffer', DIMENSIONS=dimensions)
oBuffer->Draw, oView
```

```
buff_text_dim=oBuffer->GetTextDimensions(buff_text)
```

```
count=1.
WHILE buff_text_dim[1] LT font_size DO BEGIN
  buff_font->SetProperty, SIZE=font_size+count
  oBuffer->Draw, oView
  buff_text_dim=oBuffer->GetTextDimensions(buff_text)
  count=count+1.
ENDWHILE
```

```
PRINT, 'Font size / size after buffer ', font_size, buff_text_dim[1]
```

```
final_font_size=font_size+count
```

```
OBJ_DESTROY, [oView, oModel, oBuffer, buff_font, buff_text]
```

```
PRINT, 'TEST_BUFFER_FONT TIME ', SYSTIME(/SEC)-tt
END
```

Subject: Re: Why the font is smaller in the IDLgrBuffer ?
Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Fri, 27 Feb 2009 21:05:33 GMT
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bernat wrote:

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>
> PRINT, 'TEST_BUFER_FONT TIME ', SYSTIME(/SEC)-tt
> END
```

Try:

```
IDL> minfo = obj_new('IDLsysMonitorInfo')
IDL> print, minfo->getResolutions()
    0.026458333    0.026478617
    0.026458333    0.026478617
IDL> obj_destroy, minfo
```

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Subject: Re: Why the font is smaller in the IDLgrBuffer ?
Posted by [natha](#) on Fri, 27 Feb 2009 21:19:12 GMT
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LOOL !!!!
Thank you so much ! It's nice to take part of this group...

Now, all works fine !

Subject: Re: Why the font is smaller in the IDLgrBuffer ?
Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Sat, 28 Feb 2009 10:59:35 GMT
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bernat schrieb:

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LOOL != LOL ?
