
Subject: Progress Bar - Cancel button problem
Posted by [moxament](#) on Fri, 16 Aug 2013 05:22:21 GMT
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Dear All,

I created my own progress bar in idl. The progress bar works perfectly and show progress! my problem is with the cancel button. During the progress of whatever process, the cancel button can not be pressed. I mean when I want to push/click the cancel button while the process is working, the button can not be clicked/pushed (it looks like freezing). The cancel button can be pressed only when the progress is finished (when became 100%).

I tried all the options of the widget_base, widget_button, etc. with no hope!

Can anyone help please?

Your help is appreciated.

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Subject: Re: Progress Bar - Cancel button problem
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 16 Aug 2013 12:09:58 GMT
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MAhmad writes:

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The trick is to check for the button event yourself in your loop, using Widget_Event with the NoWait keyword set:

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event = Widget_Event(self.cancelID, /NoWait)
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You can see how this is done in the CheckCancel method of this progress bar:

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http://www.idlcoyote.com/programs/cgprogressbar\_\_define.pro
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The code to use the bar, and check for the button events, looks like

this:

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cgProgressBar = Obj_New("CGPROGRESSBAR", /Cancel)
cgProgressBar -> Start
FOR j=0,9 DO BEGIN
    IF cgProgressBar -> CheckCancel() THEN BEGIN
        ok = Dialog_Message('The user cancelled operation.')
        RETURN
    ENDIF
    Wait, 0.5 ; Would probably be doing something ELSE here!
    cgProgressBar -> Update, (j+1)*10
ENDFOR
cgProgressBar -> Destroy
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Cheers,

David

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

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Subject: Re: Progress Bar - Cancel button problem

Posted by [moxament](#) on Mon, 19 Aug 2013 04:40:55 GMT

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On Friday, August 16, 2013 8:09:58 AM UTC-4, David Fanning wrote:

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Thank you David. I will try your hint and see what I can get.

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