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Subject: Re: Putting the cursor in a field  
Posted by [steinhh](#) on Wed, 17 Jan 1996 08:00:00 GMT  
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In article <19960116.172716.831183.NETNEWS@WVNVM.WVNET.EDU>, mbrown@olie.wvitcoe.wvnet.edu (Myron Brown) writes:

|>  
|> Hi. I'm looking for a way to display the cursor inside  
|> a field when the field is displayed. I'm using CW\_FIELD  
|> to create the field. The user has to place the cursor  
|> inside the field by clicking the mouse button inside the  
|> field. It would be nice if he didn't have to. This seems  
|> like an easy thing to do; I just can't find out how. Could  
|> someone help me?  
|>

Using WIDGET\_CONTROL,TEXT\_WIDGET\_ID,/INPUT\_FOCUS sets the keyboard input focus to the specified text widget (same effect as clicking inside the field).

In order to get the widget ID of the text widget inside the compound field widget, the source code indicates the following should work, (given that FIELD\_ID is the Widget ID of the compound, as returned by CW\_FIELD):

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LABEL_ID = WIDGET_INFO(FIELD_ID,/CHILD)
TEXT_WIDGET_ID = WIDGET_INFO(LABEL_ID,/SIBLING)
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