

Designer

| |
|----------------------|
| COLLABORATORS |
|----------------------|

| | | |
|---------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| | <i>TITLE :</i> Designer | |
| <i>ACTION</i> | <i>NAME</i> | <i>DATE</i> |
| WRITTEN BY | | January 17, 2023 |
| | | <i>SIGNATURE</i> |

| |
|-------------------------|
| REVISION HISTORY |
|-------------------------|

| NUMBER | DATE | DESCRIPTION | NAME |
|--------|------|-------------|------|
| | | | |

Contents

| | | |
|----------|--------------------------|----------|
| 1 | Designer | 1 |
| 1.1 | Designer Guide Contents | 1 |
| 1.2 | CopyRight | 1 |
| 1.3 | Introduction | 2 |
| 1.4 | Upgrading older versions | 2 |
| 1.5 | Preferences | 3 |
| 1.6 | Generate | 3 |
| 1.7 | Main Window | 3 |
| 1.8 | File Operations | 4 |
| 1.9 | Main Code | 5 |
| 1.10 | Using Disk Fonts | 7 |
| 1.11 | Open Libraries | 7 |
| 1.12 | Edit Window | 8 |
| 1.13 | Button Gadgets | 9 |
| 1.14 | String Gadgets | 10 |
| 1.15 | Integer Gadgets | 10 |
| 1.16 | CheckBox Gadgets | 11 |
| 1.17 | MX Gadgets | 12 |
| 1.18 | Cycle Gadgets | 13 |
| 1.19 | Slider Gadgets | 13 |
| 1.20 | Scroller Gadgets | 14 |
| 1.21 | Listview Gadgets | 15 |
| 1.22 | Palette Gadgets | 16 |
| 1.23 | Text Display Gadgets | 17 |
| 1.24 | Number display Gadgets | 17 |
| 1.25 | Gadget Information | 18 |
| 1.26 | Boolean Gadgets | 19 |
| 1.27 | Window code options | 19 |
| 1.28 | Window Sizes | 21 |
| 1.29 | Window IDCMP | 21 |

| | | |
|------|--------------------------------|----|
| 1.30 | Magnify Window | 22 |
| 1.31 | Tags for window | 22 |
| 1.32 | Text editing window | 23 |
| 1.33 | Images in window | 23 |
| 1.34 | Creating Bevel Boxes | 24 |
| 1.35 | Editing Menus | 24 |
| 1.36 | Editing Images | 25 |

Chapter 1

Designer

1.1 Designer Guide Contents

The Designer

Copyright
Introduction
Upgrading
Main Window
Preferences
Main Code Options
File Operations
Libraries
Generating
Editing Windows
Editing Menus
Editing Images

(C) Ian OConnor 1994

1.2 CopyRight

The Designer (C) Ian OConnor 1994, All rights reserved.

The Designer is shareware, you may distribute copies of the demo to anybody, but the full version may not be distributed, although you can, of course, back it up if you wish as long as the backups remain at all

times in your possession. This software is provided "AS IS", without warranty of any kind, either expressed or implied. The author is not responsible for any damage or loss of data due to use of this program, these are solely the users concern.

Introduction

1.3 Introduction

The Designer

(C) Ian OConnor 1994

Release : 1.3

This program was written to make designing Intuition interfaces for your programs easier and quicker. It will produce code to open and close

Windows

, make

Menus

, make

Images

and much more. It also has the ability to produce IDCMP handling routines for your applications along with other useful routines and if you wish will create a full program that will compile and run for the simpler windows.

It produces a file, that you can compile and use in your program, that contains all the routines you need. It is recommended that you do not edit this file because you will then be able to update it in the future for new features etc. needing only to recompile your source for a new look or extra options.

The actual production of the source is handled by a program called a producer, stored in the same directory as The Designer. You select which language you want by selecting the relevant producer in code options.

Help is provided on most functions, telling you what they do and how they are used.

Any bug fixes or updates will be released into PD in a form which will enable registered users to update their files. I will not say how often these will be released because I cannot know. It depends to a large extent upon the interest shown in this program.

Ian OConnor

1.4 Upgrading older versions

The Demo version can be used to upgrade registered users programs to the latest edition.

The extra icon on the bottom of the main window in the demo is used to create the new files required. You must use the top button in the upgrade window to select your old Designer file, it will then enable you to install

the new Designer file to where you wish in full working order.

The other buttons allow the installation of other files as well, these are just copy commands. copy must be available for any of the icons to work, including the make new Designer File option.

Using this method of upgrading any registered user should be able to get the latest version without too much difficulty.

1.5 Preferences

This is where you can set up the options for the editor. Save ↔ writes them to disk while Use means that any changes will be lost when the computer reset.

The default producer is the one which is assumed on startup of the designer.

Main Window

Code Options

1.6 Generate

All code is generated from saved designer files by the producers ↔, at the moment there are two of these, Pascal and C. The generate button saves the current data (which must have already been saved) and then runs the selected producer on this file.

The producers can also be run from workbench or CLI with their methods of passing parameters, multiple files are supported.

Fonts

Code Options

Preferences

1.7 Main Window

This is the window presented on running the program, the ↔ creation of windows, menus and importing of images is all handled here, as well as code production and file operations. The gadgets are as follows.

About

: A little message.

Prefs

: Here you can set up your own prefs for The Designer. Only options about the editor are here.

Code

: Allows you to set code preferences changing what is produced, library options are also here.

Open, Save :

File operations

.

Generate

: Saves the .des file and calls the Producer specified in the code options.

Help : Well, here we are...

New, Delete and Edit allow you to play with the

Windows

,

Menus

and

Images

the Designer produces.

Keyboard shortcuts are underlined on the gadgets except for W, M and I which change the list displayed.

1.8 File Operations

Load and Save are simple and obvious, but as from V1.3 a merge option is available from the main window menu.

This loads in the windows, menus and images from another designer file without deleting the current data loaded. However it does not overwrite the designers code settings or the libraries that are opened, these remain as before.

You might try out this by merging two of the demos together :

load MenuDemo.des

merge ScalingDemo.des

Delete the MenuDemo window

Edit the scaling demo window such that

it uses the menu from MenuDemo

The tag RMBTrap is false

Save as something

Generate

Compile the Main File

You should end up with a full program with the scaling demos window and then MenuDemos menu.

All designer files are saved with a .des extension. They must be saved before they can be produced

1.9 Main Code

Here Several options acting on the whole product are set. If ←
comment

code is checked then the code produced is commented to its maximum extent. This overrides the comment field of window code.

If WaitPointer is checked then a standard Release 2.0 waitpointer is included, to use it a command like this is needed :

```
SetPointer(Win, WaitPointer, 16, 16, -6, 0);
[ pWaitPointer in pascal ]
```

If IDCMP Handler is checked then the framework of an idcmp handler is produced for each window and menu designed. These functions should then be copied into your own code and edited. These are in the produced file unless you have selected make a main program file, then they are in that, see below for more info on that.

Makelibs means that
library
opening code will be created.

Make Main Program will create a dummy main called <ProjectName>main.c or .pas which can be compiled to produce a very simple program that works immediately.

This will only open the first window in the window list and open the defined libraries and making images etc. .

A basic message handler will be produced and all the functions to handle all the windows messages will be put in this main file. It will be similar to the example forms supplied. Closing the window will quit. It will not include C WorkBench startup code because I am not sure how to do that on different compilers (I do not own them), this does not affect pascal of course.

Extra parameters to the first window are not supported yet, do these yourself.

This file should only be used as a guideline for writing your main because so few programs will really be this simple.

You must make sure suitable
libraries
are opened for this program not

to crash.

In V1.2 you now have the ability to add extra include files to the list at the beginning of the produced code. This enables you to write programs like the MultipleDemo with many copies of the same window being open at the same time. You should examine the code for the MultipleDemo carefully if you wish to do this. Most important is that you set the Window Label correctly and define the WindowNode structure properly. You do not have to use a node at all, of course, but the structure must contain all the correct fields to open the window. Then set the window to receive the suitable extra parameters and it should all work. You must also disable the definition of the window variables in the file, otherwise you will get some errors (bottom left of window code window, at this time).

The Code :

Pascal :

For each window 2 or 3 functions will be created :

```
Function OpenWindow'WindowLabel':Boolean;
Procedure CloseWindow'WindowLabel';
Procedure RendWindow'WindowLabel';    Optional
```

The first of these may need parameters depending on its code options. Just check the header in the unit for details.

Their also exist several global variables for each window :

```
'WindowLabel' : pWindow;
'WindowLabel'glist : pGadget;
'WindowLabel'VisualInfo : Pointer;
'WindowLabel'Gads : array[] of pgadget;    Optional
```

as well as a few others for the window gadgets.

For each menu one function is produced

```
Function MakeMenu'MenuLabel' ( VisulaInfo : Pointer): Boolean;
```

the menus should be freed with FreeMenus as normal.

The global 'MenuLabel' is a pointer to the allocated menu structure.

All images are created as const data and are allocated to chip ram by the makeimages:boolean fuction, free them on exit with free images, only free them if thy are succesfully allocated.

Several procedures are included to make life easier :

```
Procedure Settagitem( pt : ptagitem ; tag : long ; data : long);
procedure printstring(pwin:pwindow;x,y:word;s:string;f,b:byte;
                    font:ptextattr;dm:byte);
procedure stripintuimessages(mp:pmsgport;win:pwindow);
procedure closewindowsafely(win : pwindow);
function generalgadtoolsgad(kind      : long;
                            x,y,w,h,id : word;
                            ptxt      : pbyte;
                            font      : ptextattr;
                            flags     : long;
                            visinfo   : pointer;
                            pprevgad  : pgadget;
                            userdata  : pointer;
                            taglist   : ptagitem
                            ):pgadget;
function getstringfromgad(pgad:pgadget):string;
function getintegerfromgad(pgad:pgadget):long;
function GadSelected(pgad:pgadget):Boolean;
procedure gt_setsinglegadgetattr(gad:pgadget;win:pwindow;
                                tag1,tag2:long);
```

C :

For details of the functions produced read them! The definitions are in the header file produced and the functions do approximately the same as the above Pascal ones.

Fonts

Generation

1.10 Using Disk Fonts

If the code option to make diskfonts is set then a function will be produced that opens all the fonts that the program needs, otherwise the correct fonts may not be used in the produced code when run.

Code Options

Generation

1.11 Open Libraries

If the procedure to open libraries is created then the libraries open, the earliest version acceptable and whether to halt whole program if unopenable is set in the choose libraries window.

Whether to produce these functions is set in the code window. The functions created would be

```
Pascal :      Function OpenLibs:boolean;
              Procedure CloseLibs;
```

```
C      :      int OpenLibs(void);
              void CloseLibs(void);
```

Open Libs will return False in Pascal or non-zero in C if it is unable to open a library and told to fail if that library unopened. If the procedure fails then all libraries will be closed, if it does not abort on fail you should check the library you want is open before use.

Default values are set that open those libraries required by the code produced by the Designer, even if you open libraries yourself you must open these libraries :

```
Intuition  V37
Graphics   V37
GadTools   V37
DiskFont   V36
```

Your program should have a bit like this if you use these functions:

```
Pascal :  If OpenLibs then
          Begin
              { rest of program }
          CloseLibs;
          End
        else
          writeln('Cannot open all libraries.');
```

```

C      :   If ( OpenLibs()==0 )
        {
          /*
           Continue program
          */
          CloseLibs();
        }
      else
        {
          /*
           OpenLibs Failed
          */
        }

```

Code Options

1.12 Edit Window

This is the main part of the program. Here you can design the windows that will be produced for you. ←

The following operate on the selected or all selected Gadgets in the window at that time. To select a gadget you should just activate it by clicking on it in a way to send a message. Multiple selects are done by holding down a Shift key when selecting. Clicking on a blank bit of the window while holding down shift will create a box which will select all gadgets inside the box, if it is not cancelled with the right button.

Gadgets

```

:
Size   : Allows you to change size of selected Gadget.
Clone  : Allows you to copy and place current selected gadgets.
Delete : Deletes selected gadgets.
Move   : Moves all selected gadgets.
Align  : Allows you to align all selected Gadgets to a given
         line and side.
Spread : Space all selected gadgets out in given direction with
         given space in between them.

```

Graphics :

Bevel

: Create and edit bevel boxes on the window.

Text

: Create and edit text on the window.

Image

: Place imported images on the window.

Options :

```

Screen : Edit edit screen mode.

Tags
      : Edit window tags.

Code
      : Edit window created code options.

Sizes
      : Edit window sizes.

IDCMP
      : Edit IDCMP message types received by program.
Help   : This help text.

Other  :

Magnify
      : Show window in more detail.

Code Options

Fonts

Imported Images

```

1.13 Button Gadgets

These are simple hit select gadgets with a raised bevel border.

Options :

```

Text      Text to place in/near gadget, not clipped.
LabelID   Constant equal to the gadgets id produced in source.
Place     Text location.
Disabled  Initial state of gadget
UnderScore Precede a letter in Text with _ so it is underlined.

```

Tags :

```

GA_Disabled(BOOL)
      Shades out gadget if true, preventing activation.

```

Messages :

```

IDCMP_GADGETUP
      IntuiMessage.IAddress contains pointer to gadget structure.

```

Comments :

```

      If the gadget brings up a requester then Text should end in "...".

```

Gadgets

1.14 String Gadgets

These are Text entry gadgets with a raised ridge border.

Options :

| | |
|---------------|---|
| Text | Text to place near gadget, not clipped. |
| LabelID | Constant equal to the gadgets id produced in source. |
| Place | Text location. |
| Disabled | Initial state of gadget |
| UnderScore | Precede a letter in Text with _ so it is underlined. |
| ReplaceMode | Gadget in replacemode instead of autoinsert mode. |
| ExitHelp | If help key pressed while gadget activated then message sent, see below. |
| TabCycle | Cycle through string/integer gadgets when tab pressed. |
| Immediate | Receive message when gadget selected. |
| Justification | Where to put the string in the gadget. |
| MaxChars | Maximum length of string. |
| EditHook | Here you are on your own. I have never experimented with this, nor do I intend too, what you type in is given directly as a tag field so make sure it is legal code. You must include the file that defines the hook function in the produced code by using the include option in the main code window. |

Tags :

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| GA_Disabled(BOOL) | Shades out gadget if true, preventing activation. |
| GTST_String(STRPTR) | Places new string in gadget, clears if set to NULL. |

Messages :

| | |
|----------------|---|
| IDCMP_GADGETUP | Received when user presses Enter, Return, Help, Tab or Shift Tab if Tab then intuimessage.code = 0x09 if Help then intuimessage.code = 0x5F, this case should be handled carefully. To read string In pascal use string:=GetStringFromGad(pgadget); In C ((struct StringInfo *)gad->SpecialInfo)->Buffer IntuiMessage.IAddress contains pointer to gadget structure. |
|----------------|---|

Comments :

Immediate will work in all versions from 37 and up, the special case of V37 is handled properly.

Gadgets

1.15 Integer Gadgets

These are Number entry gadgets with a raised ridge border.

Options :

| | |
|---------------|---|
| Text | Text to place near gadget, not clipped. |
| LabelID | Constant equal to the gadgets id produced in source. |
| Place | Text location. |
| Disabled | Initial state of gadget |
| UnderScore | Precede a letter in Text with _ so it is underlined. |
| ReplaceMode | Gadget in replacemode instead of autoinsert mode. |
| ExitHelp | If help key pressed while gadget activated then message sent, see below. |
| TabCycle | Cycle through string/integer gadgets when tab pressed. |
| Immediate | Receive message when gadget selected. |
| Justification | Where to put the number in the gadget. |
| MaxChars | Maximum length of number. |
| EditHook | Here you are on your own. I have never experimented with this, nor do I intend too, what you type in is given directly as a tag field so make sure it is legal code. You must include the file that defines the hook function in the produced code by using the include option in the main code window. |

Tags :

| | |
|-------------------|---|
| GA_Disabled(BOOL) | Shades out gadget if true, preventing activation. |
| GTIN_Number(LONG) | Places new number in gadget. |

Messages :

| | |
|----------------|---|
| IDCMP_GADGETUP | Received when user presses Enter, Return, Help, Tab or Shift Tab if Tab then intuimessage.code = 0x09 if Help then intuimessage.code = 0x5F, this case should be handled carefully. To read string In pascal use long:=GetIntegerFromGad(pgadget); In C ((struct StringInfo *)gad->SpecialInfo)->LongInt IntuiMessage.IAddress contains pointer to gadget structure. |
|----------------|---|

Comments :

Immediate will work in all versions from 37 and up, then special case of V37 is handled properly.

Gadgets

1.16 CheckBox Gadgets

These are toggle gadgets with a raised bevel border.

Options :

| | |
|------------|--|
| Text | Text to place near gadget. |
| LabelID | Constant equal to the gadgets id produced in source. |
| Place | Text location. |
| Disabled | Initial state of gadget |
| UnderScore | Precede a letter in Text with _ so it is underlined. |
| Checked | Initial state of gadget. |

Scale (V39) Will allow sizing of gadget, all versions will let you change this but V39+ needed to work.

Tags :

GA_Disabled(BOOL)
Shades out gadget if true, preventing activation.
GTCB_Checked(BOOL)
Set gadget toggle status.

Messages :

IDCMP_GADGETUP
IntuiMessage.IAddress contains pointer to gadget structure.
Track the state of this gadget with GFLG_SELECTED bit in gadget.Flags field.
In pascal use boolean:=GadSelected(pgadget)

Comments :

The gadget structure is not synchronized with the messages, you must not rely on the state toggling each time a message is received.

Gadgets

1.17 MX Gadgets

These are mutually exclusive gadgets consisting of a series of buttons, only one of which can be active at a time.

Options :

Text Text to place near gadget (V39+ only).
Place Text location (V39 only).
LabelID Constant equal to the gadgets id produced in source.
Place Text location for each button.
Active Initial active button.
Spacing Gap between buttons vertically, added to font height.
UnderScore Precede a letter in Text with _ so it is underlined.
Scale (V39) Will allow sizing of gadget, all versions will let you change this but V39+ needed to work.

Tags :

GTMX_Active(LONG)
Position to activate.

Messages :

IDCMP_GADGETDOWN
IntuiMessage.IAddress contains pointer to gadget structure.
intuimessage.code contains new active option.

Comments :

Remember GADGETDOWN not GADGETUP.

Gadgets

1.18 Cycle Gadgets

These are mutually exclusive gadgets consisting of a series of options, only one of which can be active at a time. To select the next click on the button.

Options :

| | |
|------------|--|
| Text | Text to place near gadget. |
| LabelID | Constant equal to the gadgets id produced in source. |
| Place | Text location. |
| Active | Initial active option. |
| UnderScore | Precede a letter in Text with _ so it is underlined. |
| Disabled | Initial state of gadget |

Tags :

| | |
|----------------------|--|
| GTCY_Labels(STRPTR*) | (set V37+) New null-terminated array of pointers to null-terminated strings to be used in gadget. |
| GTCY_Active(LONG) | Position to activate. |
| GA_Disabled(BOOL) | Shades out gadget if true, preventing activation. |

Messages :

| | |
|----------------|--|
| IDCMP_GADGETUP | IntuiMessage.IAddress contains pointer to gadget structure. intuimessage.code contains new active option. |
|----------------|--|

Comments :

If you implement a key for a cycle gadget remember that shift key means cycle through backwards.

Gadgets

1.19 Slider Gadgets

These are proportional gadgets that allow you to select a number in a range.

Options :

| | |
|-----------|--|
| Text | Text to place near gadget. |
| LabelID | Constant equal to the gadgets id produced in source. |
| Place | Text location. |
| Min Level | Lowest point possible. |
| Max Level | Highest point possible. |
| Level | Initial level. |

| | |
|---------------|---|
| Freedom | Whether to move horizontally or vertically. |
| Immediate | Whether to receive a message on gadget activation. |
| Relverify | Whether to receive a message when gadget released. |
| Disabled | Initial state of gadget. |
| Display | Print level by gadget. |
| UnderScore | Precede a letter in Text with _ so it is underlined. |
| Level Place | Where to print level if printed by gadget. |
| Level Format | C String format for level printed. |
| Max Level Len | Maximum length of string printed. |
| DispFunc | Here, you are on your own. I have never experimented with this, nor do I intend too, what you type in is given directly as a tag field so make sure it is legal code. You must include the file that defines the function in the produced code by using the include option in the main code window. it should be something like this (LONG(*function)(struct Gadget *,WORD)) |

Tags :

| | |
|-------------------|---|
| GTSL_Min(WORD) | Minimum level. |
| GTSL_Max(WORD) | Maximum level. |
| GTSL_Level(WORD) | Change current level. |
| GA_Disabled(BOOL) | Shades out gadget if true, preventing activation. |

Messages :

| | |
|------------------|---|
| IDCMP_GADGETUP | User Finished adjusting slider. IntuiMessage.IAddress contains pointer to gadget structure. intuimessage.code contains new level. |
| IDCMP_GADGETDOWN | User begins to adjust level. |
| IDCMP_MOUSEMOVE | If level changes then intuimessage.code contains new level. |

Comments :

If you are working with negative levels then make sure you typecast into words properly as code field of messages is UWORD.

Gadgets

1.20 Scroller Gadgets

These are proportional gadgets that allow you to select a region \leftrightarrow in a range.

Options :

| | |
|---------|--|
| Text | Text to place near gadget. |
| LabelID | Constant equal to the gadgets id produced in source. |

| | |
|------------|---|
| Place | Text location. |
| Top | Highest point possible. |
| Total | size of region. |
| Visible | Amount of range visible. |
| Immediate | Whether to receive a message on gadget activation. |
| Relverify | Whether to receive a message when gadget released. |
| Disabled | Initial state of gadget. |
| Arrows | Include Arrows on end of bar. |
| UnderScore | Precede a letter in Text with <code>_</code> so it is underlined. |
| Freedom | Whether to move horizontally or vertically. |
| Arrows | Size of arrows in screen pixels. |

Tags :

| | |
|--------------------|---|
| GTSC_Top(WORD) | Maximum level. |
| GTSC_Total(WORD) | Size of region. |
| GTSC_Visible(WORD) | Amount in selected part of region. |
| GA_Disabled(BOOL) | Shades out gadget if true, preventing activation. |

Messages :

| | |
|------------------|---|
| IDCMP_GADGETUP | User Finished adjusting slider. IntuiMessage.IAddress contains pointer to gadget structure. intuimessage.code contains new level. |
| IDCMP_GADGETDOWN | User begins to adjust level. |
| IDCMP_MOUSEMOVE | If level changes then intuimessage.code contains new level. |

Comments :

If you are working with negative levels then make sure you typecast into words properly as code field of messages is UWORD.

Gadgets

1.21 Listview Gadgets

These gadgets provide a way of displaying a list.

Options :

| | |
|-------------|---|
| Text | Text to place near gadget. |
| LabelID | Constant equal to the gadgets id produced in source. |
| Place | Text location. |
| Active | Initial active option. |
| Top | Initial top of list position. |
| Spacing | Space between each item. |
| Scrollwidth | Width of scrollbar. |
| UnderScore | Precede a letter in Text with <code>_</code> so it is underlined. |
| ReadOnly | Make Gadget non selectable. |
| CreateList | Make List of items as seen on screen. |

| | |
|------------|--|
| Display | Display Selected item. |
| Join,Split | Connect/Disconnect a string gadget to the listview, this enables easy editing of the items. |
| CallBack | (V39) Here you are on your own. I have never experimented with this, nor do I intend too, what you type in is given directly as a tag field so make sure it is legal code. You must include the file that defines the function in the produced code by using the include option in the main code window. |

Tags :

| | |
|---|---|
| GTLV_Labels(struct List*) | List to put in listview. |
| GTLV_Top(UWORD) | Topmost displayed item. |
| GTLV_Selected(UWORD) | Set selected item. |
| GTLV_MakeVisible=GT_TagBase+78 (LONG) (V39) | Make item visible. |
| GA_Disabled(BOOL) (V39+) | Shades out gadget if true, preventing activation. |

Messages :

| | |
|----------------|--|
| IDCMP_GADGETUP | IntuiMessage.IAddress contains pointer to gadget structure. intuimessage.code contains new selected item. |
|----------------|--|

Comments :

If you implement a key for a cycle gadget remember that shift key means cycle through backwards.

Gadgets

1.22 Palette Gadgets

These gadgets provide a way of selecting colours.

Options :

| | |
|----------------|---|
| Text | Text to place near gadget. |
| LabelID | Constant equal to the gadgets id produced in source. |
| Place | Text location. |
| Depth | Depth of palette requester, 0 for screen (Designer feature, not gadtools). it will also mean a variable <WinLabel>Depth will contain this depth (not the number of colours). |
| Color | Initial Colour selected. |
| Color Offset | Start colour from screen. |
| Disabled | Initial state of gadget. |
| UnderScore | Precede a letter in Text with _ so it is underlined. |
| Indicator Left | Place indicator to left. |
| Indicator Top | Place indicator to top, use either of these for V39 indicator. |
| Indicator size | Size of indicator, set 20 if program only V39, so |

will work on V37.

Tags :

GTPA_Color(WORD)
Set selected colour.
GA_Disabled(BOOL) (V39+)
Shades out gadget if true, preventing activation.

Messages :

IDCMP_GADGETUP
IntuiMessage.IAddress contains pointer to gadget structure.
intuimessage.code contains new selected colour.

Comments :

If you implement a key for a palette gadget remember that shift key means cycle through backwards.

Gadgets

1.23 Text Display Gadgets

These gadgets just display text, they send no messages.

Options :

| | |
|---------------|--|
| Text | Text to place near gadget. |
| LabelID | Constant equal to the gadgets id produced in source. |
| Place | Text location. |
| Bevel | Draw a bevel box around gadget. |
| CopyText | Copy string passed so can delete it, only applies to first text. |
| Display Text | First text to display. |
| V39 | Set true to use following. |
| Frontpen | Text colour. |
| Backpen | Text background colour. |
| Justification | Where to put text. |
| Clip | Whether to clip at borders. |

Tags :

GTTX_Text (STRPTR)
Put new text in window.

Comments :

Fiddle around with clip and justification in V39 to get different results, I think its safe to do.

Gadgets

1.24 Number display Gadgets

These gadgets just display numbers, they send no messages.

Options :

| | |
|---------------|---|
| Text | Text to place near gadget. |
| LabelID | Constant equal to the gadgets id produced in source. |
| Place | Text location. |
| Bevel | Draw a bevel box around gadget. |
| Number | First number to display. |
| V39 | Set true to use following. |
| Frontpen | Text colour. |
| Backpen | Text background colour. |
| Justification | Where to put text. |
| Clip | Whether to clip at borders. |
| Number Format | C String controlling number format, empty gad for none. |
| Max Num Len | Supposed to limit string length, not sure if it works. |

Tags :

| | |
|-------------------|---------------------------|
| GTNM_Number(LONG) | Put new number in gadget. |
|-------------------|---------------------------|

Comments :

Fiddle around with clip and justification in V39 to get different results, I think its safe to do.

Gadgets

1.25 Gadget Information

Note :

If you intend to use the V39 tags that some gadgets have then you should test the program in V37, if applicable, to make sure you do not get different results.

For example if you scale the checkboxes to a different size then they will look rather different under different OS2 and OS3. The same with MX, Text and Number kinds is true, as well as some small changes to others.

All modifiable tags are detailed in the gadget information sections.

The procedure GT_SetSingleGadgetAttr is supplied in any produced pascal source so that you can easily change tag values with only one call.

Gadgets :

Button

String

Integer

CheckBox

MX
Cycle
Slider
Scroller
Listview
Palette
Text
Number
Boolean
Edit Window

1.26 Boolean Gadgets

These are constructed on top of the GadTools Generic class, \leftrightarrow
boolean
gadgets are those used in buttons, toggle switches, mutual excludes
and so on. The inclusion of this type is meant to allow the use of
some gadgets with definable imagery. You can choose the placing and
type of text with much more precision, select the activation methods,
the highlighting method and images to use in the different state and
the initial state. Experimentation will show what can be done.

OnGadget and OffGadget should be used to enable/disable and the
messages received will be IDCMP_GADGETUP and IDCMP_GADGETDOWN if
you select IMMEDIATE and RELVERIFY respectively. The toggle gadgets in
the Tools window are of this type and GetFile gadgets can be made
using this type.

You should still use
images
that look like the other types. The
style of gadgets should be kept. To make the gadgets work properly
you should set their size to be the same as the images used.

Edit Window

1.27 Window code options

These options change the kind of procedures produced to open and \leftrightarrow
close
the

edit window

You should really check if the window is open unless it is only called once, then this would be wasted code.

Opening only if can create gadgets is also a good idea.

Having more than one gadget font can make windows look over-complicated and creates larger programs, but is sometimes required.

Return boolean can allow a program to fail if the window is unopenable, this only applies to pascal because you can ignore the return in C.

A custom message port can be supplied and the window will be closed safely.

Calculating border sizes allows for different height of title bars, not doing so fixes them at the edited size.

Producing a pwidget array allows referencing the gadgets by your code and is usually necessary.

Attaching a menu created is easily done and options allow definition of the code produced.

Commenting code allows you to read over the unit and see what is happening, commenting is done if the Main Code options Comment is set.

WorkBench AppWindows allow icons to be dragged onto your window, if it is on the Workbench screen. It requires a separate message port which is supplied as a parameter to the openwindow procedure, also supplied to the openwindow function is a long for the appwin id.

The gadget list window, which can be opened from here, or automatically via preferences, allows you to change the order of the gadgets. This changes their gadget IDs the first gadget ID is also set here, usually 0. This window can also be used to edit gadgets which cannot be activated, ie if you put them behind another accidentally or an error occurs and they cannot be created. High acts in the same way as clicking on the window does, ie Shift High does not unhighlight other gadgets.

Setting scale using screen font makes all gadgets and bevel boxes change size so that, in theory, the window looks the same and any larger screen font can be accommodated. It is also possible to set Texts on the screen to use the screen font so everything looks the same. Everything is laid out properly I hope and the window size is changed. To make sure this options works OK for your window you should test it in the Designer with several different fonts and sizes. Proportional fonts seem to work OK most of the time but there are probably exceptions.

The params and " do not define some pointers " should be used in the same way as the MultipleDemo shows, do not experiment with these values as they will stop your code working. If these options are used then the same designer file will no longer produce both C and Pascal source that works, as all the demos other than MultipleDemo do. I would suggest you base all your multiple window code around the shell of the MultipleDemo unless you really know what you are doing, and what the Producers make. The structure of the demo is not dissimilar to that of the Designer itself, with many different types of nodes and only one message port, this way most things can be done at the same time, eg edit a window and a menu together, although it can be quite hard to keep everything up to date with everything else. You delete an Image and the Designer has to check every menu, item, subitem, window, boolean gadget and window image, then it must check which edit windows need updating or closing, a long job.

SuperBitmap support allows you to create a bitmap and pass it to the openwindow function or allow the produced code to create its own bitmap. You should always set GimmeZeorZero on a superbitmap window. The bitmap created by the produced code will be the same size as the windows maximum

size, so you should reduce this to the minimum for memory reasons. If you do not you will always end up with a 1200 by 1200 bitmap which needs loads of chip ram.

1.28 Window Sizes

Allows you to directly edit the window size, zoom size and the maximum and minimum sizes. All changes will be made to the window when OK or Update are selected but if you move or size the window before updating then your input will be overwritten with the new size. These sizes are the actual ones on screen, including the borders, if border sizes are calculated then the window size will be modified suitably. If InnerWidth and InnerHeight are not set to 0 they will be used instead of width and height. It would probably be sensible to use InnerW and InnerH all the time, this along with calculating border sizes will produce windows as good as a gimmezz, as far as sizeing goes. When InnerWidth and InnerHeight are in use the width and height values are not editable. Window sizes can be scaled for different screen fonts - see window code

1.29 Window IDCMP

Choose which IDCMP messages will be sent to the edit window by Intuition. See RKM for full documentation. Suitable IDCMP will be added for gadgets as used by the window anyway.

IDCMP Flags :

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| MOUSEBUTTONS | : Supply info about mouse button presses. |
| MOUSEMOVE | : Tell when mouse moves. |
| DELTAMOVE | : As above with change of position. |
| GADGETDOWN | : Gadget message. |
| GADGETUP | : Gadget message. |
| CLOSEWINDOW | : CloseWindow gadget pressed. |
| MENUPICK | : Menu Item Selected. |
| MENUVERIFY | : Is it OK to draw a menu ? |
| MENUHELP | : Help key pressed on menu item. |
| REQSET | : Requester set on window. |
| REQCLEAR | : Requester removed from window. |
| NEWSIZE | : Window has been resized. |
| REFRESHWINDOW | : Window needs redrawing. |
| SIZEVERIFY | : Can window be resized ? |
| ACTIVIEWINDOW | : Window made active. |
| INACTIVIEWINDOW | : Window deactivated. |
| VANILLAKEY | : Vanilla key code passed. |
| RAWKEY | : Raw key code passed. |
| NEWPREFS | : 1.3 Prefs changed. |
| DISKINSERTED | : Floppy disk inserted. |

```

DISKREMOVED      : Floppy disk removed.
INTUITICKS       : Timing message.
IDCMPUPDATE      : Boopsi Message.
CHANGEWINDOW     : Window Sized or moved.

```

1.30 Magnify Window

Allows you too see what you are doing in more detail on a screen around the mouse pointer. A gimmick but can be useful on a superhires-interlace screen or similar.

Sometimes it overwrites the windows borders when it is sized, not quite sure how to stop this, although it seems to be perfectly safe.

Its probably a good idea to keep it quite small, otherwise it slows everything down rather a lot.

A complemented dot shows where the mouse pointer actually is.

1.31 Tags for window

The tags specified here define a lot of details for your edit window

. Not

all will be used while editing but they will all be in the code generated.

Specific Information

```

WindowTitle      : Title string for window.
ScreenTitle      : Title string for screen when window is active.
WindowLabel      : Label referred to in source.
CustomScreen     : Allows Custom Screen Pointer to be passed to window
                  opening routine.
PubScreen        : Similar to above but Public screen.
PubScreenName    : Pass a pointer to a null terminated string giving
                  name of public screen to open on.
PubScrFallBack  : Fall back to default screen if cannot find public
                  requested.
MouseQueue       : Mouse message backlog limit.
RptQueue         : Repeat key backlog limit.
SizeGadget       : Do you want a sizing gadget ?.
SizeBRight       : Put Size Gadget in right border.
SizeBBottom      : Put Size Gadget in bottom border.
DragBar          : Allows window title bar dragging.
DepthGadget      : Allows user to change window depth.
CloseGadget      : Window has a close gadget.
ReportMouse      : Send mouse movements to window.
NoCareRefresh    : Do not receive refreshwindow messages, bad idea with
                  gadtools.
Borderless       : Make window borderless, usually just backdrop windows
                  have this.

```

BackDrop : Window is always at the back, can only have one per screen.
 GimmeZeroZero : 0,0 of window is below title bar and right of left border.
 Activate : Activate window on opening.
 RMBTrap : Trap menu events, do not allow menu selections.
 SimpleRefresh : No intuition refreshing at all.
 Smartrefresh : Intuition handles most refreshing.
 Autoadjust : Move/Size window so that it goes on the screen.
 MenuHelp : Receive IDCMP_MENHELP when user presses help button on menus.
 Zoom : Supply zoom gadget array of values.
 NewLookMenus : In V39 this will make windows use the new standard. This should be left true. All Designer produced menus are newlook from Designer V1.3 and if you set this to false then strange results may be produced, this effects only V39.
 NotifyDepth : IDCMP_CHANGEWINDOW messages with code = WCODE_DEPTH will be sent when windows depth is changed (V39).
 TabletMessages : Receive graphics tablet input (V39).

You can use any of the above V39 tags in your programs to compile with V37 includes, and run on V37 machines.

For full information see manuals.

1.32 Text editing window

Editing strings to be placed in the window

, it is all pretty self

explanatory. All fonts are supported and can be easily selected. The drawmodes are standard as well, just try them if you are not sure what they do.

The text gets displayed at the bottom of the window, Update puts the texts on the edit window, if placed.

All the texts must be placed before they are drawn. Clicking on the edit window in edit text mode allows you to move the currently selected text.

Setting use screen fonts enables a standard look in a window using scaled gadgets.

1.33 Images in window

Any image loaded in can be placed on the edit window

. They are removed

if the image is deleted. A list of those placed is available, an image can be placed any number of times on a window.

The exact positioning of an image can be changed by changing the numbers on the image choosing window. The image drawing gadget works in the same

way as the

text

drawing gadget, it moves the currently selected image about the window.

1.34 Creating Bevel Boxes

These use the GadTools BevelBox procedure to draw 3-D Bevel Boxes on

the

edit window

. Normal boxes bring out an area to show it can be selected, Recessed boxes show the user it cannot be selected and Double boxes separate out areas of a window.

Bevel Boxes cannot be selected on screen so you have to edit them using the options in the edit window. Update redraws the edit window so that you see any changes you have made to box types.

If a scaled window is selected these will be resized accordingly.

If you use the V39 boxex you will get a normal box on a V37 machine.

1.35 Editing Menus

Menus can be created as stand alone to be used as you wish, or they can

be attached to windows designed in the program. The layout of the menus is all pretty obvious to an Amiga user. Titles are the left column, Items in the centre and SubItems to the right.

The

font

and colour of the text can be changed easily, and graphic items can be used instead of text, the second listview in each column contains a list of all imported

images

.

There is a problem with these if you try to use an image taller than the screen, the machine crashes, or at least, mine does.

The menu you create can be tested using the Test button, this updates the menu attached to the menu edit window. This is not necessary if the Autotest option is set in

prefs

. The option to turn autotesting off exists because it can slow down menu creation quite a lot.

There must be at least one Title on each menu, the number of Titles, Items and SubItems is limited only by intuition.

Mutual exclusion is possible for items and subitems. The items/subitems you wish to exclude from the selected item/subitem should be checked on the menu. You should 'Test' the menu before doing this if it is not 'auto tested' to make sure it is up to date. Failure to do this might cause problems reading the menus. I recommend you set the checked bits of all items to be excluded while excluding them to make the job easier,

turning them off afterwards to get the required menu actions. You must test the menu for this to take effect, it does not work otherwise. If it autotests then it is impossible to set up most situations.

If the code option IDCMP Handlers is set in the
code window
then a

procedure will be produced for each menu which is the framework for processing input for the menu. You should copy these procedures into your own program and edit them so they carry out the required actions. If you want MENUHELP then copying this procedure twice will enable response to those messages also.

As of Designer V1.3 all menus are produced with the NewLookMenus option. This will only affect programs when running under OS3.0 and up. It will make the menus look like the standard WB3 menus. The windows need to have the WA_NewLookMenus tag set to true and that is now the default for the Designer windows. This has no effect with earlier OSs.

1.36 Editing Images

Any non-Ham IFF image can be imported into the Designer and the
code ←

produced will contain an Image structure which can be used as desired by you. Most of the fields in this image structure are defined by the image itself but you can change the PlanePick and PlaneOnOff fields.

The PlanePick field specifies which bitplanes the image is drawn in. For each bitplane in the image there must be a corresponding destination bitplane in PlanePick. The designer will ensure that the PlanePick value is always legal.

The PlaneOnOff field just selects whether the planes not written to by the image are set or cleared. Default is all cleared.

Use the view button to update the display so you can see what the image looks like.

To move the images into chip ram this is necessary :

```
Pascal : If MakeImages then
        Begin

            { rest of program }

            FreeImages;
        End
    else
        writeln('Cannot make images.');
```

C : It is only necessary to call this function if your compiler does not support __chip. Set the option in the main
code

window to choose whether __chip is used or these ←
functions

are produced.

```
If ( MakeImages() == 0 )
{
/*
```

```
        Continue program
        */
        FreeImages();
    }
else
    {
        /*
        MakeImages Failed
        */
    }
```

Colour maps are created in the produced files and can be used when an image display window is opened, set whether they are or not in prefs

The maps are only produced if the images imported have a colour map, it is not required for success. At the moment only 4096 colours are supported, 24 bit palettes are converted down to 12 bit internally. LoadRGB4 is used to set these to a viewport. To set a colourmap to a screen use :

```
Pascal      : LoadRGB4( @pscr^.viewport, pword(colours), numcolours);
C           : LoadRGB4( &Scr->ViewPort, (UWORD *)colours, numcolours);
```

If you wish to edit a window with an imported palette then the only way to do this is at the moment is to open an image view window on the edit screen.

The imported images can be used in windows, boolean gadgets and menus in the designer.