
Global vs Window variables...

Posted by Mirage - 2012/04/14 10:04

I apologize if this thread is in the wrong place, I'm just not sure where it really goes. Feel free to move it if need be.

Anyway, I'm wondering when I create some variables they automatically become Global variables and others remain Window variables?

Is there a way I can set the variable type myself rather than letting the program do it?

Thanks for any and all help.

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Re: Global vs Window variables...

Posted by Rainy - 2012/04/15 02:16

The variable type depends on if you define the window for it or not. If the variable is set to a specific window it is shown only for it. If the window is not defined the variable will be global.

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Re:Global vs Window variables...

Posted by Mirage - 2012/04/15 12:13

Ah, that makes sense now that I look at it more closely. Now my problem is, when I change the code below, by simply adding the "window=" to the Skin.xml file as shown below:

Skin.xml

Elements.xml

Digital Clock.xml

The font size does not change, and I now get an error that says "ERROR: Illegal use of binary operator at pos 0 in expression "%Digital_Clock_fontsize"

I'm not really sure what I'm doing wrong. Could somebody please explain?

Thanks much

Glenn

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Re:Global vs Window variables...

Posted by anoob - 2012/04/15 12:50

Do you see ?

Variable %Digital_Clock_fontsize% is used in elements.xml, rather than used in Digital_Clock.xml, so you don't need specify the window="", just like this:

skin.xml

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Re:Global vs Window variables...

Posted by Mirage - 2012/04/15 13:04

Right, I understand that part. But leaving the window= off will make it a global variable which is what I'm trying to avoid. So following that logic, I should be able to change Digital Clock.xml to look like this:

Digital Clock.xml

correct? Let me give that a shot and see what happens.

But your input and comment anoob, are always welcome. This is all just a learning experience for me. And a lot of fun.

Thanks

Re:Global vs Window variables...

Posted by anoob - 2012/04/15 13:19

Right now, if you wish to change font size, you must set a global variable to do it.

Note: is "%Digital_Clock_fontsize%", not "%Digital_Clock_fontsize" (lost '%')

Re:Global vs Window variables...

Posted by Mirage - 2012/04/15 13:24

OK, makes sense. Sounds like I'm running into a program limitation not a formatting problem, which is fine. I just thought I was losing my mind. Thanks for clearing that up a little.

And you were right, I missed the "%", I was typing too quick and not being careful.

Thanks again, and on to my next puzzler.....

Glenn
