Subject: DockCtrl (A dockable window widget for U++)
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Hi,

I've been using the u++ for almost two months, and got very fond of it. I am currently working on a dockctrl widget which would act as a dockable window (like those you find in the VS). Although currently it is under heavy development, I would like to share my dockctrl project's progress here.

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ChangeLog: (Only the newest version. You can find full changelog in the DockCtrl SVN repository)

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 + added full serialization support.
 + added default/custom layout support.
 * DockableCtrl class reworked (now it is more abstract);
 * TabWindow class reworked (no longer uses PaneSplitter() class to control child widgets).
 * DockCtrl class renamed to DockBase class and added a more generic DockCtrl class.
 * DockBase class derives from TopWindow.
 + added InitDockCtrl() method for widget initialization.
 + added InitCustomLayouts() method for planned "predefined" layout support.
 + added Tabify() method (with 1 overload) to simplify widget tabbing.
 + added DockFloat() method to DockableCtrl class.
 + added ShowDragBarButtons() method to DockWindow class.
 + added ForbidDragAndDrop()/PermitDragAndDrop() methods to DockableCtrl base widget class.
   dnd behaviour of each DockableCtrl derived widget can be controlled using this method pair.
 + added layout group to the settings window.
 + added HotKey support for Settings window (default is CTRL + HOME).
 + added methods to control forbid/permit on window sides.
 - numerous bugfixes, and improvements.

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 + double clicking on a dragbar of a authidden dockwindow will cause it go into docked state.
 + added "stdsize" variable to the PaneFrame class.
 + added ShowXXXXPane() (X:left/top/right/bottom) public methods to the Dockbase class.

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+ added widget grouping (both predefined/default and user) support.
 + added WidgetGroup() method and defined "%" operator for widget grouping.
 + added group manager to the settings window.
 * tab window creation/managment mechanism changed.

To Do:

- add a self-explanatory "Complex Dockable Framework" example to the package.

- add drag-n-drop animations.
- add DockBar class -- a dockable Toolbar for DockCtrl framework
- write documentation.
- fix possible major, and minor bugs.
- cleaning up the code.
- bla, bla...

Any suggestions, bug reports and constructive criticism are always welcome.

You can find the source code of the DockCtrl framework example here or the latest build in the the
U++ SVN/Bazaar folder.

Regards.

File Attachments
1) DockCtrl Example Exe (DEV803b.2).rar, downloaded 454 times
2) DockCtrl DEV803b.2.jpg, downloaded 1074 times
3) DockCtrl Package DEV(803b.2).rar, downloaded 456 times