
Subject: Re: U++ state

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Hi everyone,

Now things seems more clear.

Mirek wrote Other than that, I am afraid that the look&feel will always be a compromise. For me, the benchmark is FireFox and OpenOffice - both are using the same method as U++ (having their implementation and using host platform just for painting). I believe if nobody really complains about FF or OO look&feel, U++ should be OK as well.

Well, U++ may look like firefox but the behavior is not the same. Just compare U++ with Firefox at these parts:

Scrollbars, Tabs, Menus, Buttons. A little description about differences:

Scrollbars - as i said, gtk+ disable the "heads" of scrollbars when the thumb touch the head and when the button from head is pushed it doesn't have a press offset. Firefox mimic it perfectly, U++ doesn't do that.

Tabs - if they have a close button it usually have a gray cross, in U++ it's a red one (well, the button is red).

Menus - when they don't fit horizontally gtk+ add 2 arrows at top and bottom and when mouse is over one arrow the menu is scrolled. If a menu item is disabled it doesn't have a mouse over effect. U++ ignore these and also ignore usage of icons in menu. You know that gtk+ have an option to disable icons in menus.

Buttons - in gtk+ default buttons have a special look and the focus is not a dashed rectangle (as it's in U++ now), sometime it's a highlighted button (depend on theme), highlighted switch, option, tab, etc.

Well there are many more glitches but i don't want just to sit and talk without fixing them and as is seen that some people can live with that (i can live with that too but i have only best wishes to U++, so that's why I'm not ignoring them), so when i have the necessary time to fix them i will.

About Menus, Firefox still have problems with menus text color with some themes, U++ too.

Regarding theming have you heard about plans for gtk3? Will these affect U++ in some way? I think they will change core theming API to support new features, AFAIK they will introduce css-ed theming support and i thing that will shake U++ a bit.
