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Posted by [Pradip](#) on Fri, 19 Mar 2021 05:23:09 GMT

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Any ideas?

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Subject: Re: Text wrapping in QTF Table

Posted by [mirek](#) on Sat, 20 Mar 2021 11:59:32 GMT

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You cannot use DrawTextEllipsis there.

This is though one. If I really needed this, I would probably:

- create temporary RichText just for testing with the cell of correct width and with intended font
- measure the height of text (with GetHeight)
- put the intended text into this cell
- keep shortening the text until the height matches (you can use binary search to make this  $\log(\text{len}(\text{text}))$ )
- use this shortened text in the real table.

Not very elegant, but not that hard to implement and should work...

Mirek

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Subject: Re: Text wrapping in QTF Table

Posted by [Pradip](#) on Mon, 22 Mar 2021 05:38:58 GMT

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I think you meant to measure the width, not height, with `GetWidth()`, I've seen this works! I'm planning to measure the width of the intended ellipsis character as well and shorten the text and add the ellipsis to fit in the cell width. It will suffice as long as it works, needn't be too elegant :d

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Posted by [mirek](#) on Mon, 22 Mar 2021 06:58:24 GMT  
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I really meant Height. I guess width will work too, but maybe less reliably and more complicated.

Quote:

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Think of it as function - the parameter is the number of characters you have to remove. This goes from 0 to `len(text)`.

To maximize it, you start at `len/2`. If it fits, the correct number is in `len/2, len` range. If not, in 0 to `len/2`. Rinse and repeat...

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Posted by [Pradip](#) on Tue, 23 Mar 2021 07:13:10 GMT  
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### File Attachments

1) [Screenshot 2021-03-23 123857.jpg](#), downloaded 416 times

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If you put nothing into it, just empty paragraph with proper font set, it will give you the height you need.

(Although, this might not be guaranteed in the future. Today, single line / single font cell height only depends on the font set. It is possible that with advanced unicode support, we will need to adjust that for characters with multiple marking that will extend the height of individual characters...)

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