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Subject: Chameleon progress....

Posted by [mirek](#) on Sun, 09 Jul 2006 13:40:47 GMT

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DropList and related widgets now should have better appearance.

ProgressIndicator chameleonized.

HeaderCtrl chameleonized.

Mirek

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Subject: Re: Chameleon progress....

Posted by [unodgs](#) on Mon, 10 Jul 2006 13:34:33 GMT

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Hi!

There is a little problem with chameleon and header ctrl. Let me try to describe it:

The problem is that vertical lines of arrayctrl (gridctrl) and header cells' separators can't be positioned ideally. By ideally I mean impression of one straight line.

Just look at the screenshots below. On the first screen (where clear looks theme is used) cell separator is painted one pixel before vertical line of grid body.

On the second screen (fatluna theme (luna variation)) cell separator is painted one pixel after the grid line.

The problem is that authors of the themes paint that separators either on the left side of header cell bitmap or on the right side of it - it depends what visual effect they want to achieve.

But whatever place they choose there always be grid line and cell separator +/- one pixel difference.

My solution is to have functions (from ch series) to paint header cell body without the left/right edge

and function to paint only the edge of cell (is it possible to distinguish the body and the edge using xp theme api??).

Now ChPaint(w,x,y,cx,cy, HeaderTabLook(n)) draws body and separator together (with body stretched

according to cx and cy values).

If I could also paint that separators in horizontal direction I could draw properly horizontal fixed cells (see screen 1 - the top and bottom edges of horizontal fixed cells are now doubled).

I hope I made myself clear

PS: Screens are zipped because this forum doesn't let to attach more than one file per message..

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Subject: Re: Chameleon progress....

Posted by [mirek](#) on Mon, 10 Jul 2006 15:29:55 GMT

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Thats quite unfortunate....

I believe that the visually right thing is to align grid line to darkest line of header separator.

Unfortunatly, information provided by theming api is rather limited.... The only possible solution is to add more heurestics and simply detect that "darkest line" ... (which will fail for "inverse" themes). OTOH, current ChWin32.cpp is already full of such visual heurestics (most of them deal with combobox button , so maybe I could solve that... simply enforce that headertab ends with the darkest line.

As for "left" header, there is no support in theming API nor in chameleon YET. Possible solution (which might be provided by ch in future) is to draw to Image and rotate pixels.  
(ChPaintRotatedClockwise...)

Mirek

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Subject: Re: Chameleon progress....

Posted by [mirek](#) on Mon, 10 Jul 2006 18:54:12 GMT

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OK, there is now

CH\_INT(HeaderTabGridAdjustment, 0);

See HeaderCtrl sources for usage; maybe not quite ideal, but seems to work well for both cases - tested with standard Luna and Clearlooks. Please test with as much themes as possible...

Mirek

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Subject: Re: Chameleon progress....

Posted by [unodgs](#) on Mon, 10 Jul 2006 19:33:52 GMT

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Thanks Mirek! I'll try it with all themes I've got.

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Subject: Re: Chameleon progress....

Posted by [unodgs](#) on Tue, 18 Jul 2006 10:43:23 GMT

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unodgs wrote on Mon, 10 July 2006 15:33 Thanks Mirek! I'll try it with all themes I've got.

The "new system" seem to work fine with all themes I've tried so far.

But I have one feature request to the chameleon. More advanced version of ChPaint:

ChPaint(Draw, x, y, cx, cy, Value, offsetx = 0, offsety = 0, mode = STRETCH\_BOTH)

where mode can be one of following:

NO\_STRETCH = 0

STRETCH\_X = 0x2

STRETCH\_Y = 0x4

STRETCH\_BOTH = STRETCH\_X | STRETCH\_Y (default)

offsetX/Y means that if ones are given the ChPaint should stretch or just paint (if no stretch mode is passed) the internal bitmap with first pixels omitted in x by offsetx and in y by offsety. In stretch mode that skipped pixels should not be stretched.

I need it because I have to paint header in my gridctrl a little bit different. In arrayctrl header is always refreshed as a whole even during scrolling. In my grid I repaint only the invalidate area and I also check if cell of header should be painted using IsPainting routine. So I now use a code like this to paint header cell

(case if HeaderTabGridAdjustment() is positive)

ht = HeaderTabGridAdjustment()

ChPaint(w, x - ht, y, cx - ht, cy, HeaderTabLook(q))

ChPaint(w, x + cx - ht, y, ht, cy, HeaderTabLook(q))

The problem lies in second call of ChPaint. It doesn't paint left border of header because ht is too small and result of stretching for this size is a bitmap without left border (it was eaten during resizing,

see screenshot - result of code:

```
w.DrawRect(GetSize(), White);
w.DrawRect(5, 5, 100, 100, LtGreen);
int ht = HeaderTabGridAdjustment();
int q = CTRL_NORMAL;
ChPaint(w, 6, 6, 50, 18, HeaderTabLook(q));
ChPaint(w, 6, 30, 1, 18, HeaderTabLook(q));
```

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With new ChPaint I could write it like this:

```
ChPaint(w, x, y, cx - ht, cy, HeaderTabLook(q), ht, 0, STRETCH_BOTH)
ChPaint(w, x + cx - ht, y, ht, cy, HeaderTabLook(q), 0, 0, STRETCH_Y)
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Is that extension to ChPaint possible to add??

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Subject: Re: Chameleon progress....

Posted by [mirek](#) on Tue, 18 Jul 2006 11:12:16 GMT

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I am afraid not, at least not this way....

One trouble is that how XP paints that Rect is out of my control.

What I could do is to improve Image look behaviour for very small sizes. That however will not fix XP....

Just to make things clear: Should the "corrected" screenshot look like that the smaller "tab" is made of that dark-gray edge color?

Mirek

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Subject: Re: Chameleon progress....

Posted by [unodgs](#) on Tue, 18 Jul 2006 11:41:12 GMT

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luzr wrote on Tue, 18 July 2006 07:12 Should the "corrected" screenshot look like that the smaller "tab" is made of that dark-gray edge color?

Mirek

Yes.

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