Box-moving Functional Editor in Barcode solution Program

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Auto ID \rightarrow Barcode and RFID \rightarrow ISO Standards



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Application ScanLink

- Barcode verification and integration software Scanner -> ScanLink -> Keyboard emulation, Data Base, File, JSON/SOAP WebService
- Platforms: MS-Windows, Android, Linux 32 bit (on Thin Clients)
- TCL Starkits including self written
 C libraries for device connection
- Resizable Interface (ETCL 2019)
- Button keyboard for industrial touch-screen devices







Box-moving configuration editor

- Processing steps from top to down including branch/jumps and stops
- Drag and drop interface (from Bwidget) for boxes and arrows
- menu with configuration points on right click (ttk menubuttons)



- Bubble-help everywhere
- Branch arrows in a canvas



Process chains evaluation

- Follow the branch arrows
- Stop on end or end flag
- Pipe "dData" data dict through each step processing function by calling "<Mod>DataIn" proc of the module.
- Multiple process chains are started simultaneously and interlace on any wait steps.

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while 1 {
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# >> Next step
set fBranch [expr {
        "branch" in $dModuleOpt
        && [dict exists $dData BranchDo]
if { $fBranch } {
    set ClassPosCur [lsearch -exact
            $Classes\
            $Config( BranchClass $ClassCur)]
} else {
    \# > Check for end
    If { $ClassPosCur + 1
                   >= [llength $Classes]
            || $Config( fStop $ClassCur)
            || $Config( fGroupEnd $ClassCur)
    } {
        break
    incr ClassPosCur
# >> Get new class
set ClassCur [lindex $Classes $ClassPosCur]
set ModuleCur $Config( Module $ClassCur)
set ModuleClassCur $Config( Class $ClassCur)
# >> Execute action
set dData [${ModuleCur}DataIn
        $ModuleClassCur $dData]
```

"vwait" may block a process chain

- "vwait" is very easy to use for simultaneously processing
- Nested "vwait" blocks any vwait in the caller proc and does not use eventual free time.
- "coroutines" are great but feel to complicated for me
- For known stops (Windows input) stop process chain and restart it.
- Any vwait is a problem (ex: http package), register events and return



TCL/Tk activities

- Bwidget (from Eric Boudallier)
- TCLWS (from Gerald Lester et al)
- Msgcat (from Marc Harrisson)
- TCL win socket driver: hope for Ashoks iopc
- Rivet (only support)
- TkSVG (from Christian Gollwitzer)
- MS-VC6++ PSDK2003SP1 TCL/Tk make (will die)
- Zint Bar code generator TCL interface
- TkSVG (Tk8.7 feature for Tk8.6)



- How to get TCL 9.0 and Tk8.7 out of the door?
- Blockers: encodings
- How to help and motivate Donald to make releases?

Thank you all, you guys rock !