

ccTools

Custom components tools

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In 2020, with the Covid pandemic and lockdown measures, I returned to working with Matlab after a 12-year hiatus. I had last used Matlab in 2008 when I completed my master's degree.

I must admit that I was impressed by how App Designer simplified the process of building apps. Since then, I have been developing engineering applications, particularly in the field of sensor control (such as spectrum analyzers, receivers, and antenna control units), as well as data processing generated by these sensors.

Over the past three years, the Custom Components Tools, or simply ccTools, emerged as a way to overcome some limitations of the MATLAB built-in components. For example, it is still not possible to edit the font of the header of the uitable, and the modal windows - uialert and uiprogressdlg - have minimal customization options, limited to the icon.

I have managed to organize the bits and pieces of code I have developed here and there. As a result, I am now releasing ccTools with the following features:

- (a) A filterable table class.
- (b) A push button class.
- (c) Functions that create modal windows MessageBox and ProgressDialog.
- (d) Functions that allow customization of certain aspects of the MATLAB built-in components.

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The use of ccTools requires adding its root folder to the MATLAB path.

Metadata files have been generated for the two new classes - the filterable table and the push button - enabling drag and drop of components, as well as the configuration of their public properties, directly in App Designer.

The ccTools was developed on the Windows platform and tested on three MATLAB releases - R2021b, R2022b, and R2023a. It is likely to work on R2022a as well, but there are no guarantees that all features will be operational in older versions.

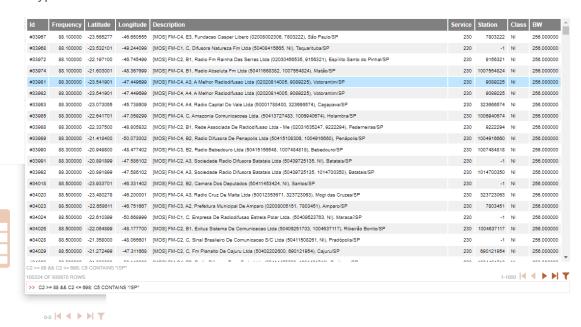
ccTools.Table

Create filterable table.

When loading a table into the object, through its "Data" property, this table can be composed only for textual values ("cell", "string", and "categorical"), "datetime" values, "logical" values, and numerical values, but the following conversions are applied before storage:

- "cell", "categorical" and "datetime" values are converted to "string".
- "logical" values are converted to "double".
- "&&", "||", and ";" are protected keywords and cannot be part of the textual values in the table. For this reason, these values are replaced by "&", "|", and ",", respectively.
- "\n" (newline) are replaced by "
", creating breakline effect.

In other words, all textual values are stored as "string", and numerical values retain their data type, except for "logical" values, which are converted to "double". Therefore, programmatically changes to this table after its loading must respect these new data types.



Syntax

```
tb = ccTools.Table
tb = ccTools.Table(parent)
tb = ccTools.Table(__, Name, Value)
```

Main properties

(argument name, type, and possible values or default value)

- Data table
- Selection double

Others properties

- ColumnName cell array {'auto'}
- ColumnEditable numerical array 0
- ColumnWidth cell array if not default value, each cell must be 'auto' or '%dpx' pattern (such as '60px' or '110px') {'auto'}
- ColumnAlign cell array if not default value, each cell must be member of {'left', 'center', 'right'} {'auto'}
- ColumnPrecision cell array if not default value, each cell must be member of {'%s', '%d', '%i', '%.0f', '%.1f' ... '%.99f'} {'auto'}
- FilterToolbar logical true | false
- FontFamily enumeration Helvetica
- hFontSize numeric 12
- hFontWeight enumeration "normal" | "bold"
- hFontAlign enumeration "left" | "center" | "right"
- hFontColor scalar text (char | string) valid hexa color, or CSS color name "#FF0000" | "red" and so on...
- hCapitalLetter logical true | false
- hClickable logical true | false
- bFontFamily enumeration Helvetica
- **bFontSize** numeric 10
- bFontWeight enumeration "normal" | "bold"
- bFontColor scalar text (char | string) valid hexa color, or CSS color name
- bStripingColor scalar text (char | string) valid hexa color, or CSS color name
- bHoverColor scalar text (char | string) valid hexa color, or CSS color name
- bSelectedColor scalar text (char | string) valid hexa color, or CSS color name
- BackgroundColor numeric array or scalar text (char | string) valid color [1 0 0] | "#FF0000" | "red" and so on...

"ColumnName" property determines the names of the table's columns. The characters "|" and "

"or a cell array of characters, can be used to create a breakline effect. "hFontSize" and "bFontSize" in *pixels*. "hFontFamily", "hFontSize", "hFontWeight", "hFontAlign" and "hFontColor" are properties related to the header of the table. Finally, "bFontFamily", "bFontSize", "bFontWeight" and "bFontColor" are properties related to the body of the table.

Events

- SelectionChanged
- CellEdited
- DataFiltered

Filtering data

Filtering, sorting, and adjusting data precision operations can be applied to the table interactively.

The general model for a filtering request is: '1st Sentence; 2nd Sentence; ...; n-th Sentence'. Logically, the "&&" (AND) operator is applied to the request, resulting in the intersection of individual filters.

On the other hand, the general model for a specific sentence is '1st Operation && 2nd Operation && ... && n-th Operation' or '1st Operation || 2nd Operation || ... || n-th Operation'. In other words, within a specific sentence, the "&&" (AND) or "||" (OR) operator can be applied.

Below are the allowed operations.

Numeric Columns	Cn < numeric Value Cn <= numeric Value Cn == numeric Value Cn != numeric Value Cn >= numeric Value Cn > numeric Value Cn > numeric Value Cn sorted Cn sorted up Cn sorted down Cn precision "%.1f"
Textual Columns	Cn contains "stringValue" Cn !contains "stringValue" Cn isequal "stringValue" Cn !isequal "stringValue" Cn sorted Cn sorted up Cn sorted down
Logical Operators	&&
Sentences Separators	,

The term Cn refers to the n-th column of the table. So, C1 corresponds to the first column, C2 to the second column, and so on. Finnaly, when applying a filter to a textual column, it is important to enclose the string being evaluated within double quotation marks.

Examples of valid sentences:

- C1 >= 100 && C1 <= 1000; C2 contains "stringValue"; C3 sorted
- C1 == 87.9 || C1 == 104.9; C2 !isequal "stringValue"
- C1 precision "%.0f"; C2 precision "%.3f"

hFontColor: 'white'

bFontFamily: Helvetica
 bFontSize: 10
bFontWeight: normal

hCapitalLetter: 0
 hClickable: 1

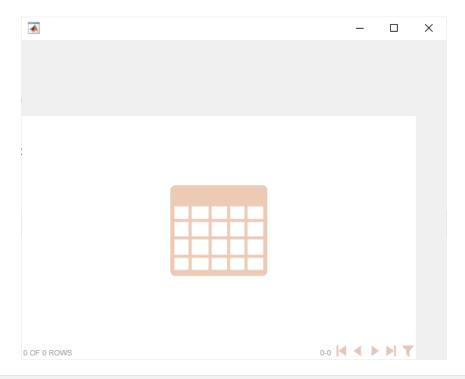
Example

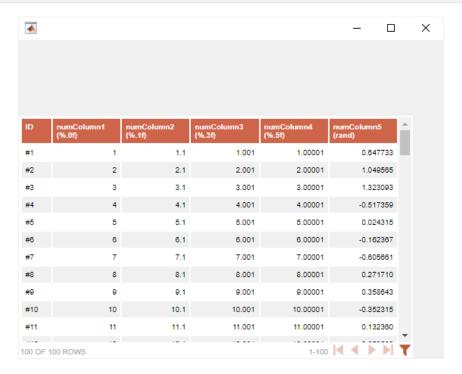
```
tb = ccTools.Table
tb =
  Table with properties:
                    Data: [0×0 table]
               Selection: 0
                    Cell: [0×0 struct]
              ColumnName: {'auto'}
         ColumnEditable: 0
             ColumnWidth: {'auto'}
             ColumnAlign: {'auto'}
        ColumnPrecision: {'auto'}
           FilterToolbar: 1
           FilteredIndex: [0x1 double]
             hFontFamily: Helvetica
               hFontSize: 12
             hFontWeight: bold
              hFontAlign: left
```

bFontColor: 'black'
bStripingColor: '#f0f0f0'
bHoverColor: '#bfe5ff'
bSelectedColor: '#bfe5ff'
SelectionChangedFcn: ''

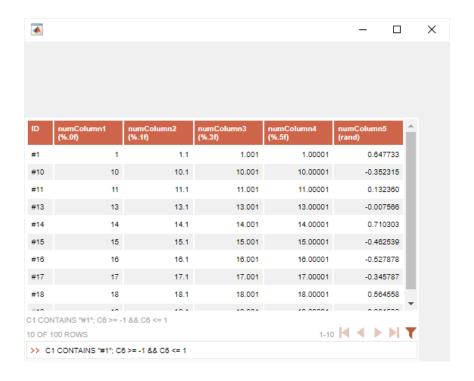
CellEditedFcn: ''
DataFilteredFcn: ''

Position: [1 1 520 320]





Filtering data...



ccTools.Button

Create push button.



Syntax

```
btn = ccTools.Button
btn = ccTools.Button(parent)
btn = ccTools.Button(__, Name, Value)
```

Main properties

(argument name, type, and possible values or default value)

- Text scalar text (char | string) "Button"
- Description scalar text (char | string) "Description"
- Icon scalar text (char | string) ""

Others properties

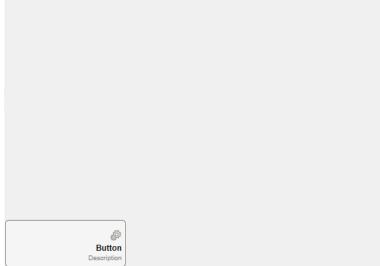
- Model enumeration "IconPlusText" | "Icon" | "Text"
- IconAlignment- enumeration "top" | "left" | "right"
- HorizontalAlign enumeration "left" | "center" | "right"
- VerticalAlign enumeration "top" | "bottom" | "left" | "right"
- ColumnSpacing numeric 5
- RowSpacing numeric 0
- RowTextSpacing numeric 0
- BorderWidth numeric 1
- BorderColor scalar text (char | string) valid hexa color, or CSS color name "#FF0000" | "red" and so on...
- BorderRadius scalar text (char | string) "5px", "10px", "25%", "50%" (rounded button) and so on...
- BorderPadding numeric 5
- IconWidth numeric 18
- IconHeight numeric 18
- FontFamily enumeration Helvetica
- tFontWeight enumeration "normal" | "bold"
- tFontSize numeric 12
- tFontColor scalar text (char | string) valid hexa color, or CSS color name
- dFontSize numeric 10
- dFontColor scalar text (char | string) valid hexa color, or CSS color name
- Enable logical true | false
- DisabledOpacity: numeric float between .1 and .9 .35
- BackgroundColor numeric array or scalar text (char | string) valid color [1 0 0] | "#FF0000" | "red" and so on...

"Icon" is the fullpath of the image, or just its name if the image is in the MATLAB search path. "ColumnSpacing", "RowSpacing", "RowTextSpacing", "BorderWidth", "BorderPadding", "IconWidth", "IconHeight", "tFontSize" and "dFontSize" in *pixels*. "RowTextSpacing" defines the vertical space between "Text" and "Description". "tFontWeight", "tFontSize" and "tFontColor" are properties related to "Text". Finally, "dFontSize" and "dFontColor" are properties related to "Description".

Event

ButtonPushed

```
Example
 btn = ccTools.Button
btn =
 Button with properties:
             Model: IconPlusText
              Text: 'Button'
        Description: 'Description'
              Icon: [1×0 char]
     IconAlignment: top
   HorizontalAlign: right
     VerticalAlign: center
      ColumnSpacing: 5
        RowSpacing: 0
    RowTextSpacing: 0
        BorderWidth: 1
        BorderColor: '#808080'
      BorderRadius: '5px'
      BorderPadding: 5
         IconWidth: 18
        IconHeight: 18
        FontFamily: Helvetica
       tFontWeight: bold
         tFontSize: 12
        tFontColor: 'black'
         dFontSize: 10
         dFontColor: '#808080'
             Enable: 1
   DisabledOpacity: 0.3500
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   ButtonPushedFcn: ''
           Position: [1 1 180 70]
```



ccTools.MessageBox

Display a modal message box in front of the specified uifigure window.

Syntax

```
ccTools.MessageBox(parent, message)
ccTools.MessageBox(parent, message, Name, Value)
```

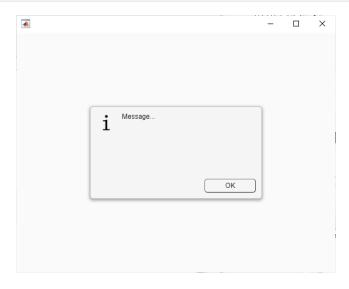
Name-Value Optional Arguments

(argument name, type, and possible values or default value)

- winWidth scalar text (char | string) "302px"
- winHeight scalar text (char | string) "162px"
- winBackgroundColor numeric array or scalar text (char | string) "#f5f5f5"
- iconFullFile scalar text (char | string) ""
- iconWidth scalar text (char | string) "35px"
- iconHeight scalar text (char | string) "35px"
- msgFontFamily scalar text (char | string) "Helvetica"
- msgFontSize scalar text (char | string) "12px"
- msgFontColor numeric array or scalar text (char | string) valid color
- msgTextAlign scalar text (char | string) "'left" | "center" | "right" | "justify"
- buttonWidth scalar text (char | string) "90px"
- buttonHeight scalar text (char | string) "24px"
- buttonBackgroundColor numeric array or scalar text (char | string) valid color
- buttonBorderRadius scalar text (char | string) "5px"
- buttonBorderWidth scalar text (char | string) "1px"
- buttonBorderColor numeric array or scalar text (char | string) valid color
- buttonFontFamily scalar text (char | string) "Helvetica"
- buttonFontSize scalar text (char | string) "12px"
- buttonFontColor numeric array or scalar text (char | string) "#212121"
- buttonTextAlign scalar text (char | string) "'left" | "center" | "right" | "justify"

Example

```
f = uifigure;
ccTools.MessageBox(f, 'Message...')
```



ccTools.ProgressDialog

Display a modal progress dialog element in front of the specified component (uifigure, uihtml, uitable and so on).

Syntax

```
d = ccTools.ProgressDialog(parent)
d = ccTools.ProgressDialog(parent, Name, Value)
```

Name-Value Optional Arguments

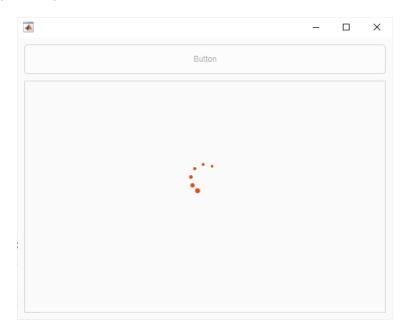
(argument name, type, and possible values or default value)

- size scalar text (char | string) "40px"
- color numeric array or scalar text (char | string) "#d95319"

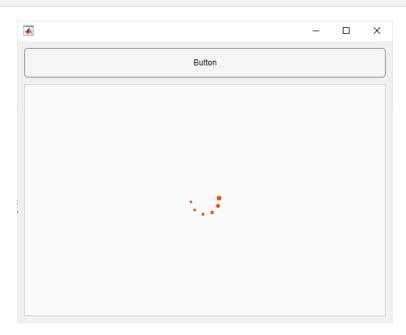
Example

```
f = uifigure;
 g = uigridlayout(f, 'RowHeight', {44, '1x'}, 'ColumnWidth', {'1x'});
 b = uibutton(g);
 p = uipanel(g);
 drawnow
 d = ccTools.ProgressDialog(f)
d =
  modalDialog with properties:
          type: 'ProgressDialog'
        webWin: [1×1 matlab.internal.webwindow]
    parentTag: 'd1b249f0-c1d4-4891-b193-edccc059fc5a'
       dataTag: 'fba63cfd-7b78-4daf-a4cb-67f409af6912'
    onCreation: '// zIndexevar zIndex = 1000; evar objList =
document.querySelectorAll('div[role="dialog"]'); dobjList.forEach(element => {d
parseInt(element.style.zIndex);
                                    zIndex = (zIndex < idx ? idx : zIndex);ય});યobjList = undefined;યય//
Elements creation delet s_T005309784 = document.createElement("style"); det u_T005309784 =
document.createElement("div"); elet w T005309784 =
document.createElement("div"); 44document.head.appendChild(s T005309784); 4document.body.appendChild(u T0053097
84); document.body.appendChild(w_T005309784); des_T005309784.setAttribute("data-type",
"ccTools.ProgressDialog"); du T005309784.setAttribute("data-type",
"ccTools.ProgressDialog"); 4w_T005309784.setAttribute("data-type",
"ccTools.ProgressDialog");طعام _T005309784.setAttribute("data-tag", "fba63cfd-7b78-4daf-a4cb-
67f409af6912"); du_T005309784.setAttribute("data-tag", "fba63cfd-7b78-4daf-a4cb-
67f409af6912");طw_T005309784.setAttribute("data-tag", "fba63cfd-7b78-4daf-a4cb-67f409af6912");طط//
CSS4s T005309784.innerHTML = `←
                                   :root {↵
                                                 --sk-size: 40px;↵
                                                                         --sk-color: #d95319; ←
                  width: var(--sk-size);↵
                                               height: var(--sk-size);↵
                                                                              position: relative; ←
.sk-chase {↵
animation: sk-chase 2.5s infinite linear both; ←
                                                    }↵
                                                                .sk-chase-dot {↵
                                                                                      width: 100%; ←
height: 100%; ←
                   position: absolute; ←
                                              left: 0;↵
                                                             top: 0; ←
                                                                             animation: sk-chase-dot 2.0s
                                                                        content: '';↵
infinite ease-in-out both; ←
                                }↵
                                           .sk-chase-dot:before {↵
                                                                                            display: block;↵
                 height: 25%;↵
                                     background-color: var(--sk-color); ←
                                                                               border-radius: 100%; ←
width: 25%; ←
animation: sk-chase-dot-before 2.0s infinite ease-in-out both; 4
                                                                           ↵
                                                                                .sk-chase-dot:nth-child(1) {
                                                                   }←
animation-delay: -1.1s; }↵
                            .sk-chase-dot:nth-child(2) { animation-delay: -1.0s; }↵
child(3) { animation-delay: -0.9s; }↵
                                         .sk-chase-dot:nth-child(4) { animation-delay: -0.8s; }↵
chase-dot:nth-child(5) { animation-delay: -0.7s; }↵
                                                       .sk-chase-dot:nth-child(6) { animation-delay: -0.6s;
      .sk-chase-dot:nth-child(1):before { animation-delay: -1.1s; }←
                                                                         .sk-chase-dot:nth-child(2):before {
animation-delay: -1.0s; }↵
                              .sk-chase-dot:nth-child(3):before { animation-delay: -0.9s; }←
dot:nth-child(4):before { animation-delay: -0.8s; }↩
                                                       .sk-chase-dot:nth-child(5):before { animation-delay:
```

```
-0.7s; }↩ .sk-chase-dot:nth-child(6):before { animation-delay: -0.6s; }↩ ↩
                                                                                                                                                                                       @keyframes sk-chase {↵
                                                                                                                                                                                  80%, 100% { transform:
@keyframes sk-chase-dot-before {← 50% {←
rotate(360deg); } ← }←
                                                          ↵
                                                                                                                                                                                           transform:
scale(0.4); ← } 100%, 0% {←
                                                                         layer4u_T005309784.setAttribute("class", "backgroundLayer");4u_T005309784.style.position =
"absolute"; 4u T005309784.style.left = "0%"; 4u_T005309784.style.top
                                                                         = "100%"; du_T005309784.style.height = "100%"; du_T005309784.style.zIndex
"0%"; du T005309784.style.width
= zIndex+1; dd// Progress dialogdw_T005309784.setAttribute("role", "dialog"); dw_T005309784.style.position =
"absolute"; dw T005309784.style.left
                                                                                   = "50%";4w T005309784.style.top
"50%"; \( \psi_T005309784.style.transform = "translate(-50%, -50%)"; \( \psi_m_T005309784.style.zIndex = (-50%, -50%) \)
zIndex+2; ←w T005309784.innerHTML
                                                                                    = `e' <div class="sk-chase">e' <div class="sk-chase-dot"></div>e'
<div class="sk-chase-dot"></div>↩
                                                                                     <div class="sk-chase-dot"></div>↵
                                                                                                                                                                      <div class="sk-chase-
dot"></div>↵
                             onCleanup: 'zIndex =
undefined; des T005309784.remove(); du T005309784.remove(); dw T005309784.remove(); dedelete
s T005309784; delete u T005309784; delete w T005309784; 'delete w T005309784; 'delete w T005309784; delete w T005509784; delete w T005
             rootPath: 'C:\P&D\ccTools\+ccTools'
```



d = ccTools.ProgressDialog(p);



ccTools.compCustomization

Allow customization of some properties of the built-in ui Matlab components, such as "windowMinSize", "backgroundColor", "borderRadius" and so on.

Syntax

[status, errorMsg] = ccTools.compCustomization(comp, Name, Value)

Class-editable properties

- matlab.ui.Figure: 'windowMinSize'
- matlab.ui.container.ButtonGroup: 'backgroundColor', 'borderRadius', 'borderWidth' and 'borderColor'
- matlab.ui.container.CheckBoxTree: 'backgroundColor', 'borderRadius', 'borderWidth' and 'borderColor'
- matlab.ui.container.GridLayout: 'backgroundColor'
- matlab.ui.container.Panel: 'backgroundColor', 'borderRadius', 'borderWidth' and 'borderColor'
- matlab.ui.container.Tab: 'backgroundColor'
- matlab.ui.container.TabGroup: 'backgroundColor', 'backgroundHeaderColor', 'borderRadius', 'borderWidth', 'borderColor', 'fontFamily', 'fontStyle', 'fontWeight', 'fontSize' and 'color
- matlab.ui.container.Tree: 'backgroundColor', 'borderRadius', 'borderWidth' and 'borderColor'
- matlab.ui.control.Button: 'borderRadius', 'borderWidth' and 'borderColor'
- matlab.ui.control.CheckBox: 'backgroundColor', 'borderRadius', 'borderWidth' and 'borderColor'
- matlab.ui.control.DropDown: 'borderRadius', 'borderWidth' and 'borderColor'
- matlab.ui.control.EditField: 'borderRadius', 'borderWidth' and 'borderColor'
- matlab.ui.control.ListBox: 'borderRadius', 'borderWidth' and 'borderColor'
- matlab.ui.control.NumericEditField: 'borderRadius'. 'borderWidth' and 'borderColor'
- matlab.ui.control.StateButton: 'borderRadius', 'borderWidth' and 'borderColor'
- matlab.ui.control.Table: 'backgroundColor', 'backgroundHeaderColor', 'borderRadius', 'borderWidth', 'borderColor', 'fontFamily', 'fontStyle', 'fontWeight', 'fontSize' and 'color'
- matlab.ui.control.TextArea: 'backgroundColor', 'borderRadius', 'borderWidth', 'borderColor' and 'textAlign'

Output Arguments

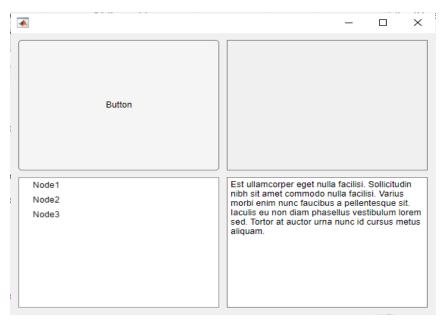
- status logical true | false
- errorMsg char

Input Name-Value Arguments

(argument name, type, and possible values or example value)

- windowMinSize scalar text (char | string) "640px"
- backgroundColor numeric array or scalar text (char | string) "#f5f5f5"
- backgroundHeaderColor numeric array or scalar text (char | string) "#f5f5f5"
- borderRadius scalar text (char | string) "10px"
- borderWidth scalar text (char | string) "2px"
- borderColor numeric array or scalar text (char | string) "blue"
- textAlign scalar text (char | string) "'left" | "center" | "right" | "justify"
- fontFamily scalar text (char | string) "Helvetica"
- fontStyle scalar text (char | string) "italic" | "normal"
- fontWeight scalar text (char | string) "bold" | "normal"
- fontSize scalar text (char | string) "12px"
- color numeric array or scalar text (char | string) "#212121"

Examples



```
ccTools.compCustomization(b, 'borderRadius', '10px', 'borderColor', '#0072bd');
ccTools.compCustomization(p, 'borderRadius', '10px', 'borderColor', '#0072bd');
ccTools.compCustomization(t, 'borderRadius', '10px', 'borderColor', '#0072bd');
ccTools.compCustomization(a, 'borderRadius', '10px', 'borderColor', '#0072bd', 'textAlign', 'justify');
```



uitable customization...

```
f = uifigure;
g = uigridlayout(f, 'RowHeight', {'1x'}, 'ColumnWidth', {'1x'});
t = uitable(g, 'Data', table("#"+string((1:100)'), (1:100)', (1:100)'+.1, (1:100)'+.001, (1:100)'+.00001,randn(100,1)));
drawnow
```

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Var1	Var2	Var3	Var4	Var5	Var6	Γ
#1	1	1.1000	1.0010	1.0000	0.4759	4
#2	2	2.1000	2.0010	2.0000	1.4122	
#3	3	3.1000	3.0010	3.0000	0.0226	
#4	4	4.1000	4.0010	4.0000	-0.0479	
#5	5	5.1000	5.0010	5.0000	1.7013	
#6	6	6.1000	6.0010	6.0000	-0.5097	
#7	7	7.1000	7.0010	7.0000	-0.0029	
#8	8	8.1000	8.0010	8.0000	0.9199	
#9	9	9.1000	9.0010	9.0000	0.1498	
#10	10	10.1000	10.0010	10.0000	1.4049	
#11	11	11.1000	11.0010	11.0000	1.0341	
#12	12	12.1000	12.0010	12.0000	0.2916	
#13	13	13.1000	13.0010	13.0000	-0.7777	
#14	14	14.1000	14.0010	14.0000	0.5667	
#15	15	15.1000	15.0010	15.0000	-1.3826	
#16	16	16.1000	16.0010	16.0000	0.2445	*

```
ccTools.compCustomization(t, 'backgroundHeaderColor', '#52555c', ...

'borderRadius', '10px', ...

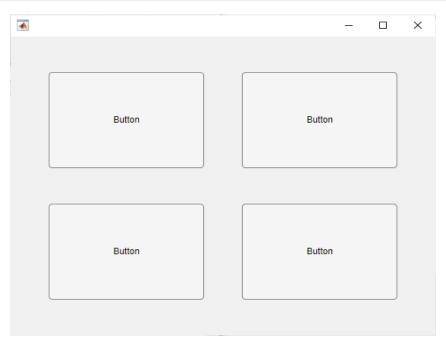
'fontFamily', 'Times New Roman', ...

'color', 'white');
```

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Varl	Var2	Var3	Var4	Var5	Var6	Γ
#1	1	1.1000	1.0010	1.0000	0.4759	
#2	2	2.1000	2.0010	2.0000	1.4122	
#3	3	3.1000	3.0010	3.0000	0.0226	
#4	4	4.1000	4.0010	4.0000	-0.0479	
#5	5	5.1000	5.0010	5.0000	1.7013	
#6	6	6.1000	6.0010	6.0000	-0.5097	
#7	7	7.1000	7.0010	7.0000	-0.0029	
#8	8	8.1000	8.0010	8.0000	0.9199	
#9	9	9.1000	9.0010	9.0000	0.1498	
#10	10	10.1000	10.0010	10.0000	1.4049	
#11	11	11.1000	11.0010	11.0000	1.0341	
#12	12	12.1000	12.0010	12.0000	0.2916	
#13	13	13.1000	13.0010	13.0000	-0.7777	
#14	14	14.1000	14.0010	14.0000	0.5667	
#15	15	15.1000	15.0010	15.0000	-1.3826	
#16	16	16.1000	16.0010	16.0000	0.2445	4

A transparent backgroundColor...

```
f = uifigure;
g1 = uigridlayout(f, 'RowHeight', {'1x'}, 'ColumnWidth', {'1x'}, 'Padding', [0,0,0,0]);
uiimage(g1, "ImageSource", 'myImage.jpg', 'ScaleMethod', 'fill');
g2 = uigridlayout(f, 'ColumnSpacing', 50, 'RowSpacing', 50, 'Padding', 50);
b1 = uibutton(g2); b2 = uibutton(g2); b3 = uibutton(g2); b4 = uibutton(g2);
drawnow
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```
ccTools.compCustomization(g2, 'backgroundColor', 'transparent')
ccTools.compCustomization(b1, 'borderRadius', '50%')
ccTools.compCustomization(b2, 'borderRadius', '50%')
ccTools.compCustomization(b3, 'borderRadius', '50%')
ccTools.compCustomization(b4, 'borderRadius', '50%')
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